

Chapter 44

Let's Have Drinks
at Home with
Smoked Foods!



how
to grill
our
love

THAT'S
RIGHT!

WE'RE GOING
TO SMOKE ALL
OF THIS...!?





TO PREVENT
THE JUICES
FROM THE
INGREDIENTS
DAMPENING
THE WOOD
CHIPS...

WE'RE GOING
TO COVER THE
OUTSIDE WITH A
LITTLE MORE
ALUMINUM
FOIL.



AND
ADD MORE
DEPTH OF
FLAVOR IN
GENERAL.

IT'LL
ALSO ADD
A SUBTLE
SWEET-
NESS...

WITH
THESE, WE'LL
GET SOME NICE
COLOR ON OUR
FOOD.



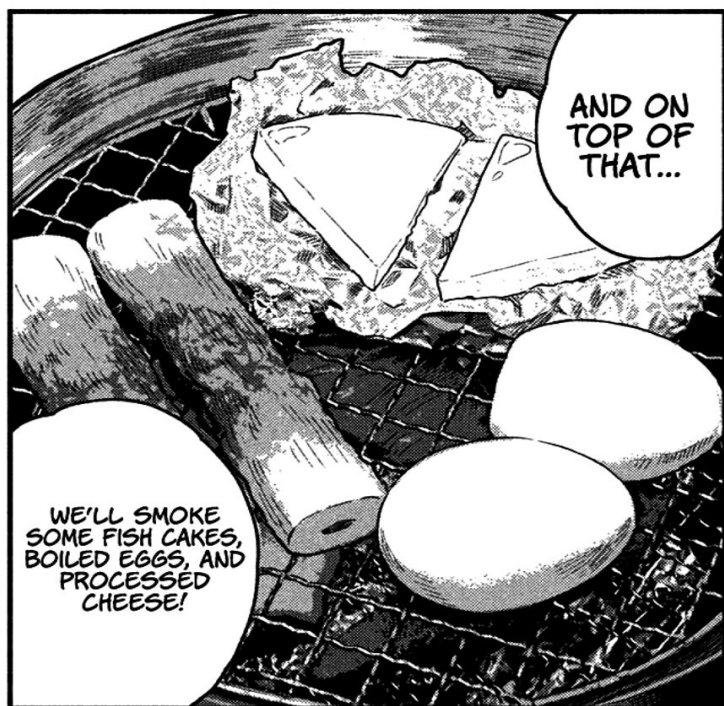
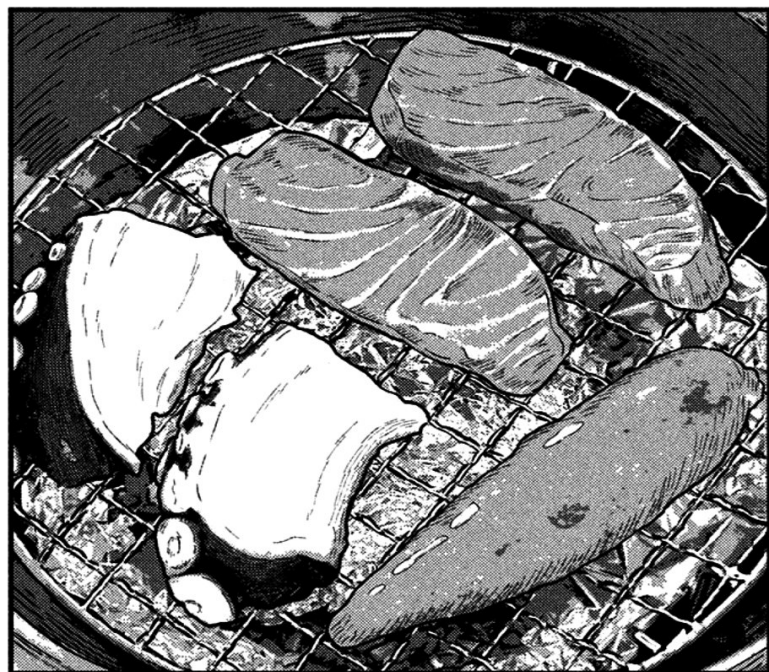
I WRAPPED
THEM IN KITCHEN
PAPER, PUT THEM
IN THE FRIDGE, AND
PATTED THEM
DRY AFTER-
WARDS!

I HAVE
SOME SALMON
AND OCTOPUS!
AFTER LIGHT-
LY SALTING
THEM...



ALRIGHT,
WE'RE ALL
SET!

NOW,
THE INGRE-
DIENTS!





AFTER A
WHILE, WHEN
THE SMOKE
STARTS COM-
ING OUT...



WHEN IT'S
ALL SET UP,
WE'LL TURN
THE HEAT
ON.

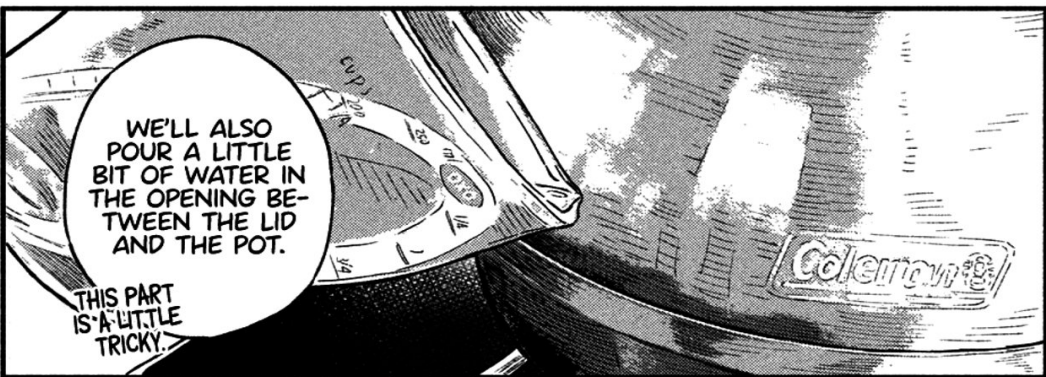
AT
FIRST,
TURN IT
ALL THE
WAY UP.



IT SMELLS
GREAT AL-
READY...

WOW...

SWITCH THE
HEAT TO LOW,
AND COVER
THE SMOKER
WITH A LID.



WE'LL ALSO
POUR A LITTLE
BIT OF WATER
IN THE OPENING BE-
TWEEN THE LID
AND THE POT.

THIS PART
IS A LITTLE
TRICKY.

THIS
IS SO
EXCIT-
ING!

WE'LL
TURN THE
HEAT OFF
AND WAIT
ANOTHER
TEN MIN-
UTES.

AFTER
SMOKING
OVER LOW
HEAT FOR
TEN MIN-
UTES...

ACTU-
ALLY...

I
DID TRY
ONCE...

HAVE
YOU NEVER
DONE THIS
BEFORE?

I
THOUGHT
THAT-YOU
WOULD'VE.

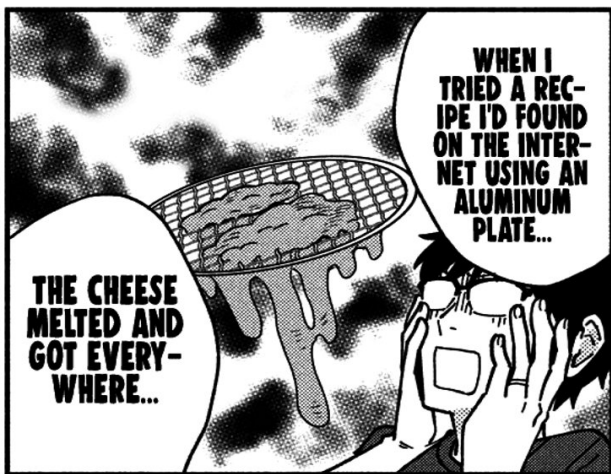
THIS
IS BACK
WHEN...

I WAS
STILL A TOTAL
BEGINNER AT
GRILLING...

I GUESS
THIS MAKES ME
A BARBECUE
NERD, LIKE
PEOPLE
SAY...

OR RATHER,
A CERTAIN
SOMEONE...

SOMEONE



IT'S AMAZING HOW THE SMOKE DOESN'T GET OUT.

THIS WAY, WE CAN EVEN SMOKE FOOD INSIDE.

THESE DAYS, WE EVEN HAVE SMOKERS THAT WORK WITH INDUCTION HEATING.

AS LONG AS YOU READ UP ON IT, ANYONE CAN DO IT...

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BUT IT'S ACTUALLY RELATIVELY EASY.

I THOUGHT A SMOKER WOULD BE UNWIELDY AND HARD TO USE...

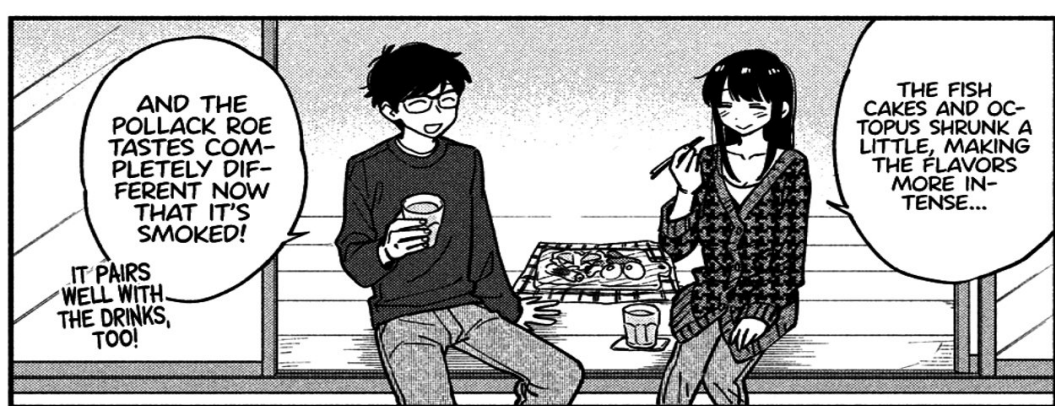
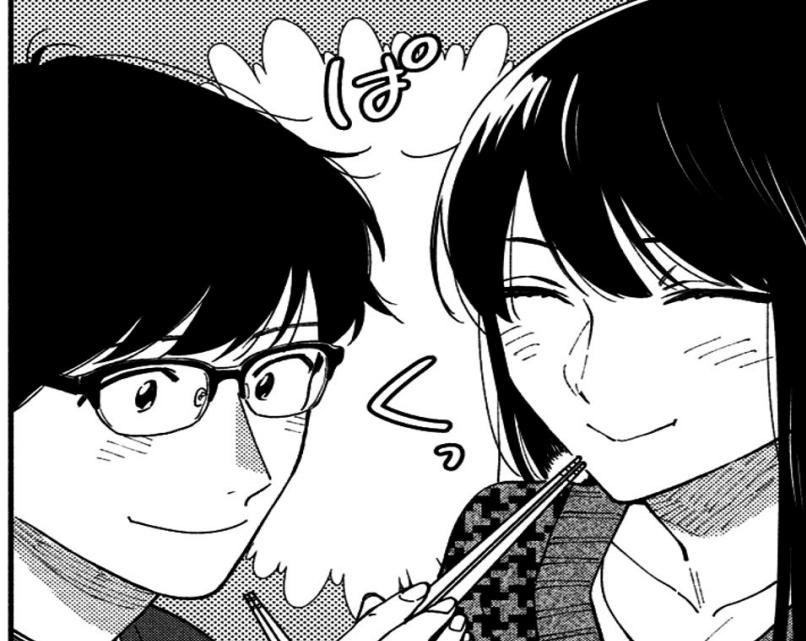
Coleman
Compact Smoker
MSRP (w/ tax):
¥5,980

*AS PRICED ON THE MANUFACTURER'S OFFICIAL WEBSITE.

LET'S SEE...

1分
THAT'S TEN MINUTES!







WE COULD TRY PICKLED RADISH, TOO!



AND OF COURSE, LET'S NOT FORGET...



I THINK SOMETHING LIKE A TRAIL MIX WOULD BE NICE.

MAKES ME WONDER WHAT OTHER INGREDIENTS WE COULD USE...

OR IF WE WANT SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, MAYBE POTATO CHIPS...



RIGHT NOW WE'RE USING SAKURA.

THERE'S ALSO A LOT OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF WOOD CHIPS TO TRY.

THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS...



THE CRÈME DE LA CRÈME!

HOME-SMOKED BACON...!

YEAH!





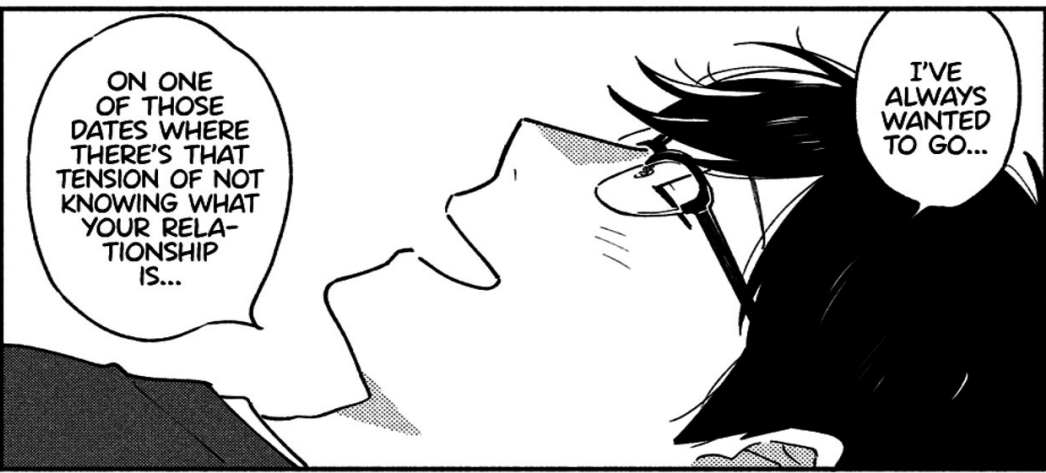
WE
COULD'VE VISITED
SO MANY PLACES
IF I DIDN'T
GET TRANS-
FERRED...



THAT'S
TRUE.

I WISH
WE'D GONE
FOR DRINKS
TOGETHER,
CHIHIRO-
SAN...

WHEN WE
JUST MET, WE
GRILLED MEAT
ALMOST EVERY
DAY, SO I HAD
NO IDEA...



ON ONE
OF THOSE
DATES WHERE
THERE'S THAT
TENSION OF NOT
KNOWING WHAT
YOUR RELA-
TIONSHIP
IS...

I'VE
ALWAYS
WANTED
TO GO...



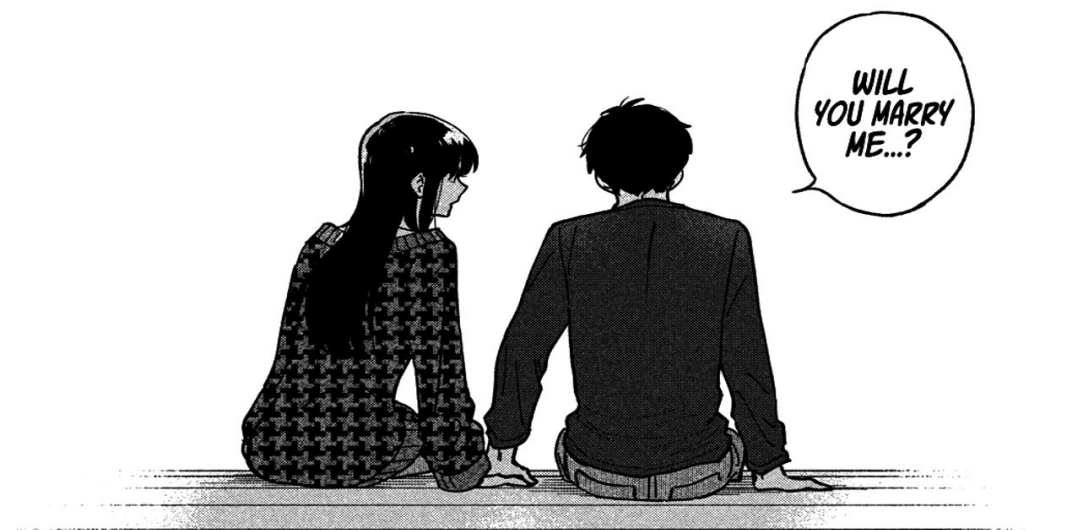
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**ALRIGHT,
THEN...**

**TRY
HITTING
ON ME.**



A DATE MARRIAGE
how to grill love

Next time: A date in the neighborhood!



HMM...

UMM...

how to grill
Love

A RARE MARRIAGE

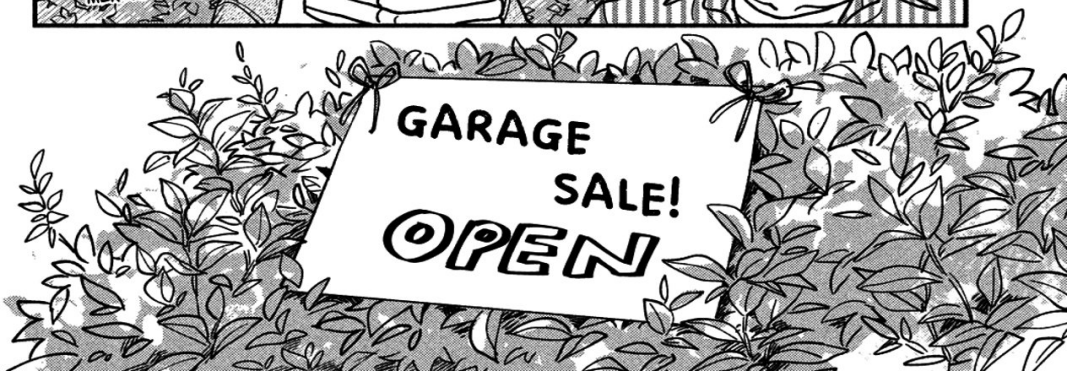
OUR

YOU'RE
RIGHT...

YEAH,
MAYBE
NOT.



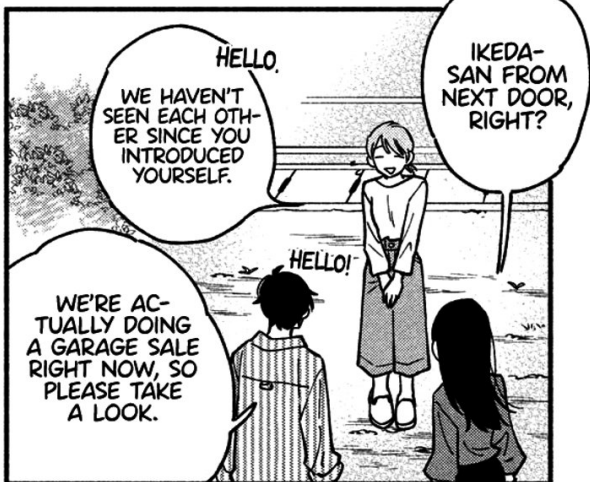


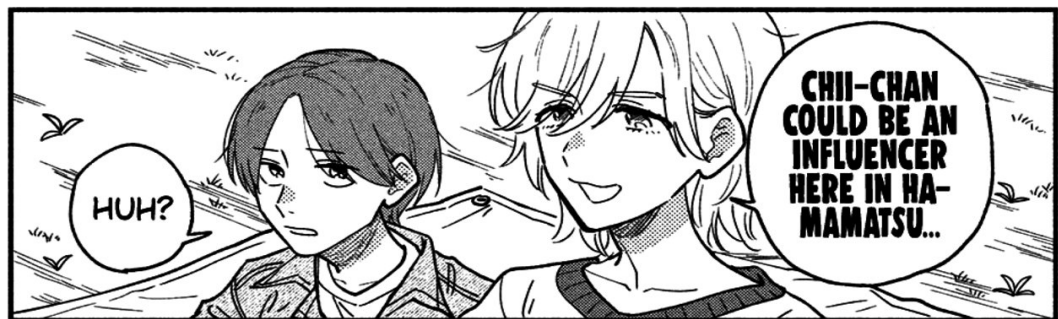
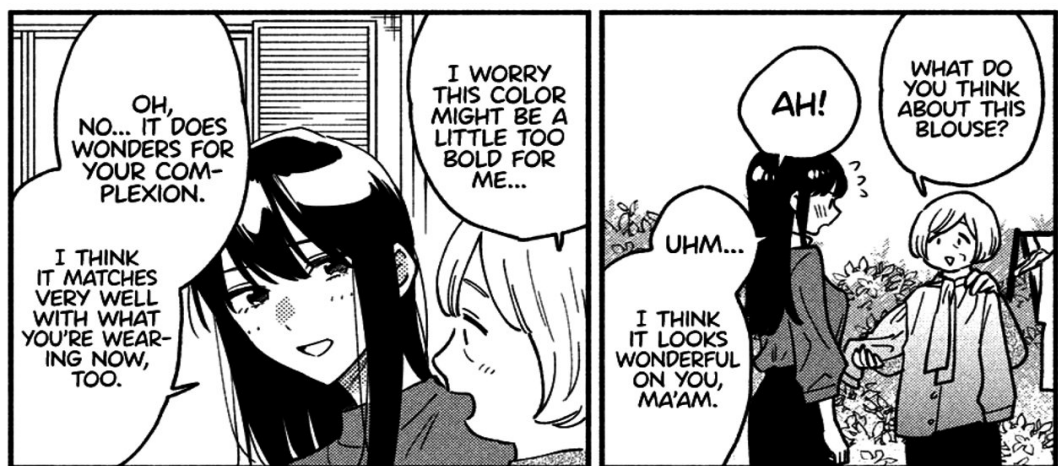
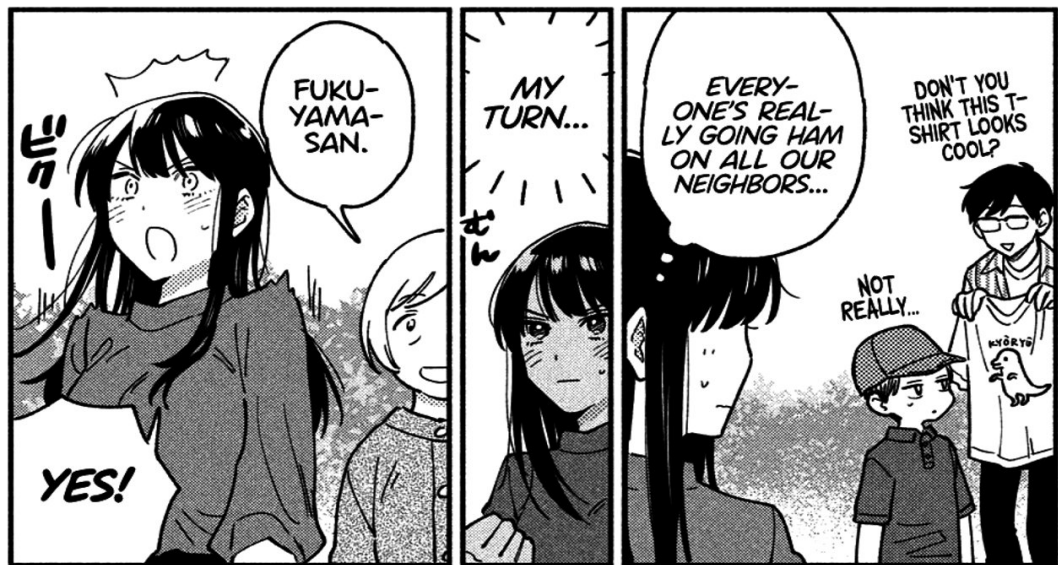




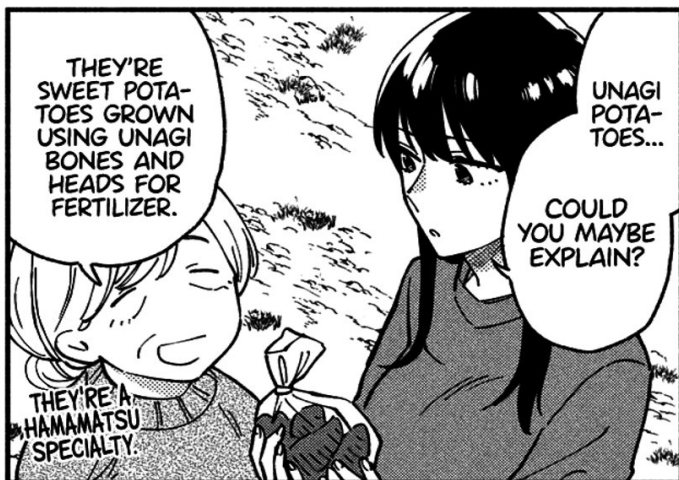








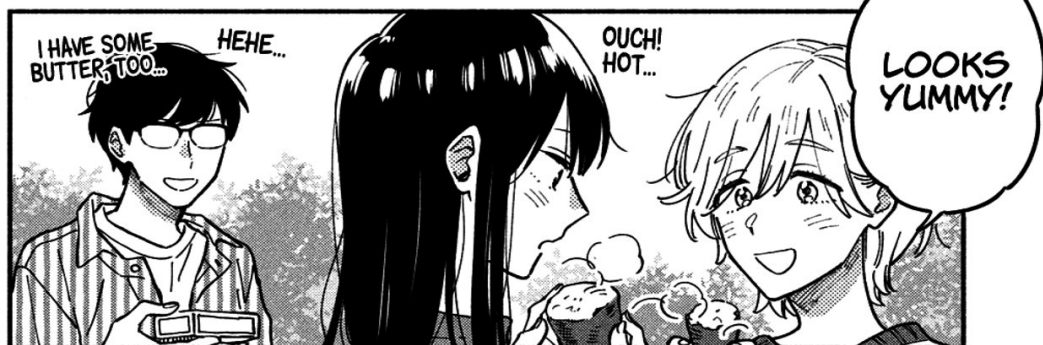






**HOT
POTATOES!**

**ALL
DONE!**



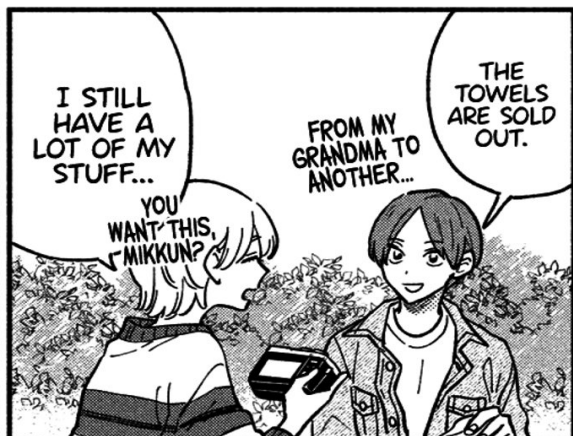
I HAVE SOME
BUTTER TOO...

HEHE...

OUCH!
HOT...

**LOOKS
YUMMY!**









A RARE MARRIAGE

how to grill



love

Smiles as bright as the autumn sky!

MOST PEOPLE
TEND TO FEEL
GLOOMY...

I HEAR
THAT DURING
AUTUMN...



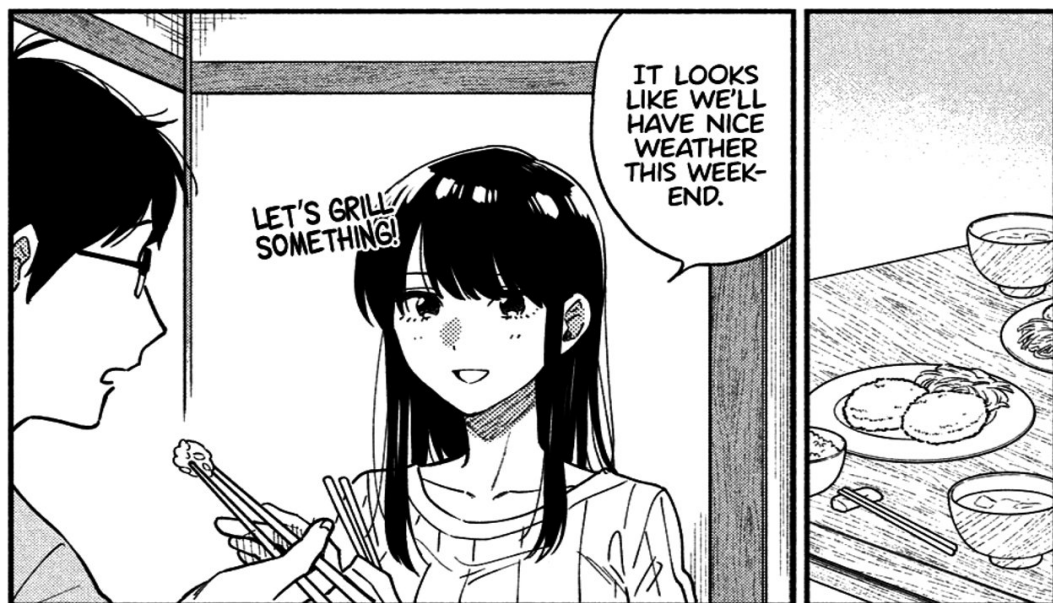
I'M
HOME...

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Let's Saber and
Grill Some Meat!



I NEVER
THOUGHT I'D
SEE KENTA-
SAN LIKE
THIS...





WE'RE
NOT
GRILL-
ING?!



HUH?



HMM...

MAYBE
SOME
OTHER
TIME...



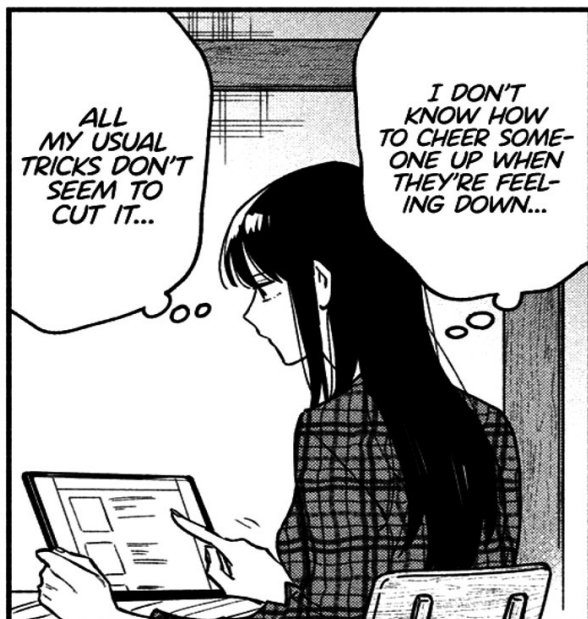
HE MUST
BE MORE
EXHAUST-
ED THAN I
THOUGHT...



KENTA-SAN
DOESN'T FEEL
LIKE GRILL-
ING...

WELL,
MAYBE IF
THERE'S SOME-
THING YOU'D
LIKE TO TRY,
CHIIRO-
SAN...





THIS IS
PERFECT...!

HM?

IT'S JUST
TOO MUCH
FOR ME!

OKAY,
I NEED TO
CALM DOWN
FOR A SEC-
OND!







I KNEW
THIS WOULD
WORK.

SO
PRECIOUS...

HEHE.

A
WHOLE
KILO OF
MEAT ON
A SA-
BER!?

A-
AMAZING!

WOW!



KENTA-
SAN.



STICK
IT IN MY
MEAT...

IT'S OKAY.
YOU CAN...



WE'LL
RUB SOME
ROCK SALT
ON BOTH
SIDES.



FIRST,
WE'LL CUT
THE MEAT IN
SMALLER
PARTS.



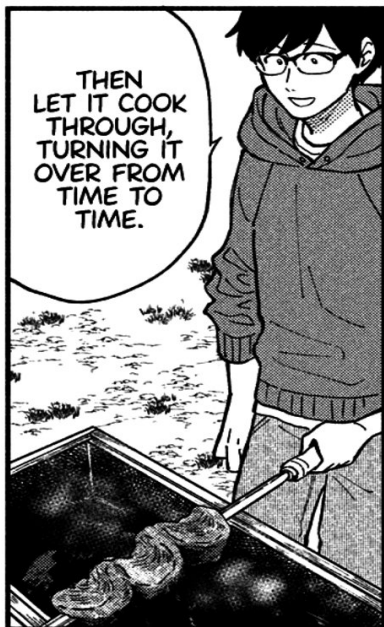
IT'S AITCH-
BONE! IT'S A
HIP CUT.

PICANHA IS
PORTUGUESE.

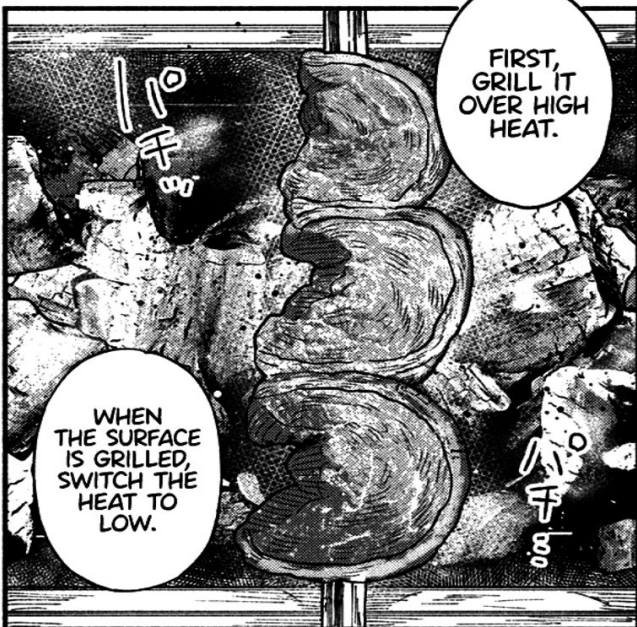
WHEN I
BOUGHT IT,
THE SIGN SAID
THIS MEAT IS
CALLED PI-
CANHA...

I WONDER
WHAT CUT
IT IS?



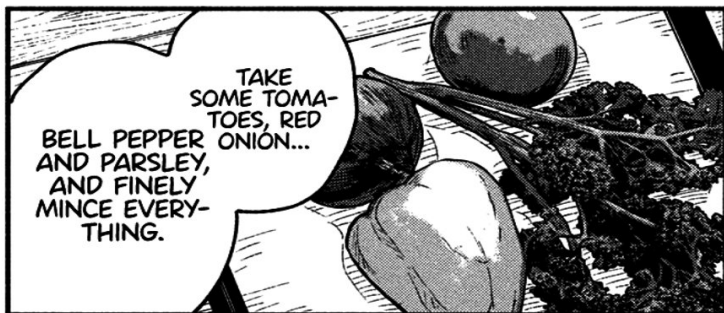


THEN
LET IT COOK
THROUGH,
TURNING IT
OVER FROM
TIME TO
TIME.



FIRST,
GRILL IT
OVER HIGH
HEAT.

WHEN
THE SURFACE
IS GRILLED,
SWITCH THE
HEAT TO
LOW.



TAKE
SOME TOMA-
TOES, RED
ONION...
BELL PEPPER
AND PARSLEY,
AND FINELY
MINCE EVERY-
THING.

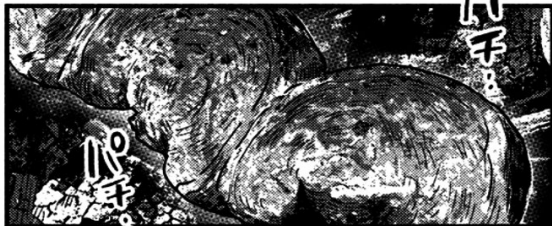
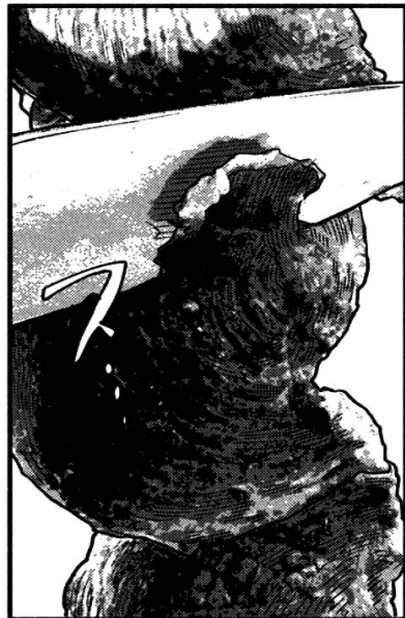


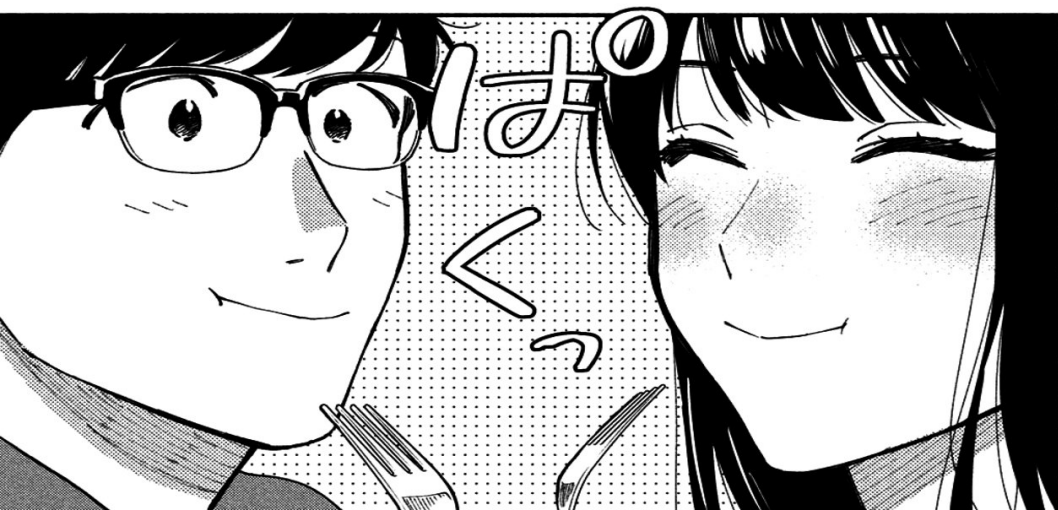
WHILE
IT'S GRILL-
ING, LET'S
MAKE A
SAUCE!

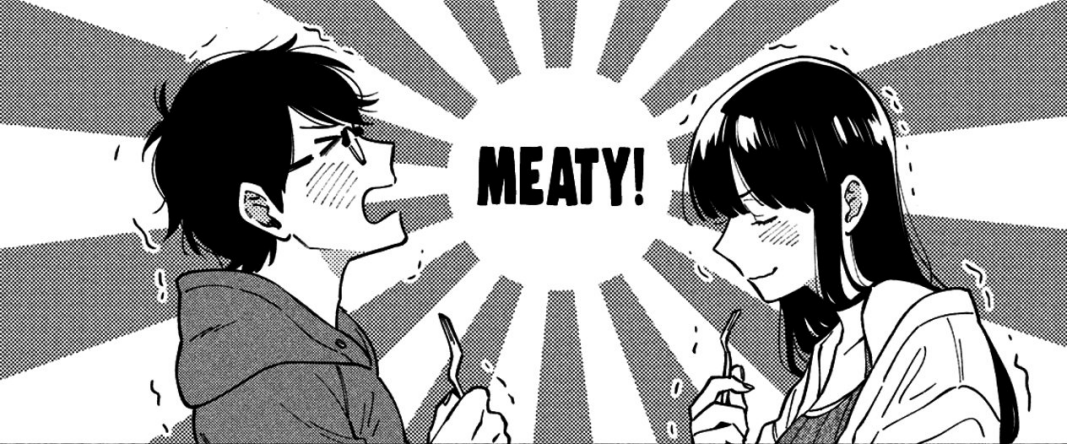


AND
WE HAVE
MOLHO
SAUCE!

ADD TUBED
GARLIC, WHITE
WINE VINEGAR,
SALT AND PEP-
PER...









AND IN THE
PROCESS, I
LOST SIGHT
OF MY-
SELF...

WHEN I THINK
ABOUT ALL THE
THINGS I WANT TO
TRY AND GRILL, I
FEEL LIKE MY
HEAD COULD
EXPLODE...



MEAT IS
JUSTICE!

THANK YOU
CHIIHIRO-SAN!

BUT
BECAUSE
WE HAD THIS
CHURRASCO
TODAY...

I'VE RE-
COVERED
FROM MY
GRILLING
RUT!



?



THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS.

SURE DO!

SORRY I MADE YOU WORRY.



"GRILLING RUT"? REALLY?

I DON'T REALLY GET IT, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE YOU FEEL BETTER.



WAIT, WHAT?!

I PAN-ICKED SO MUCH I AL-MOST ENDED UP BUYING A COW COS-PLAY SET.
I'M GLAD I DID THIS INSTEAD.



HOLY COW!

UGH!

NEXT TIME, I WON'T BOTHER!



THANK YOU SO MUCH!

THANK YOU SO MUCH!



A RARE MARRIAGE

how to grill  Love

Next time: Going for a drive with Chihiro-san!

**Driving School Graduation
Exam Results**

001	006		016	021
002	007	012	017	022
003	008		018	023
	009			024
5	010	015		025

AH...

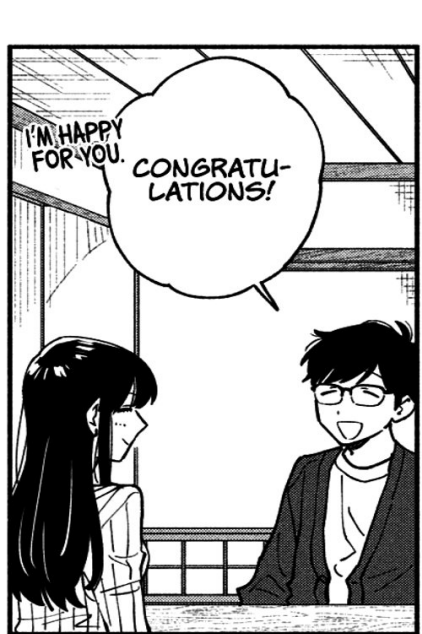
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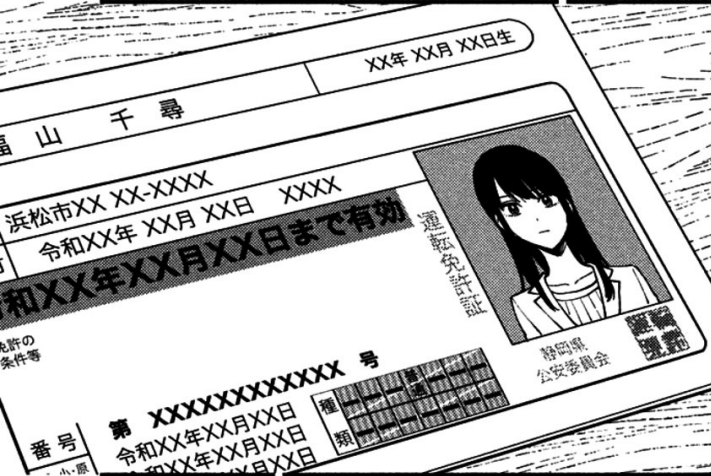
Baking Pizza
to Fight Off
Exhaustion!

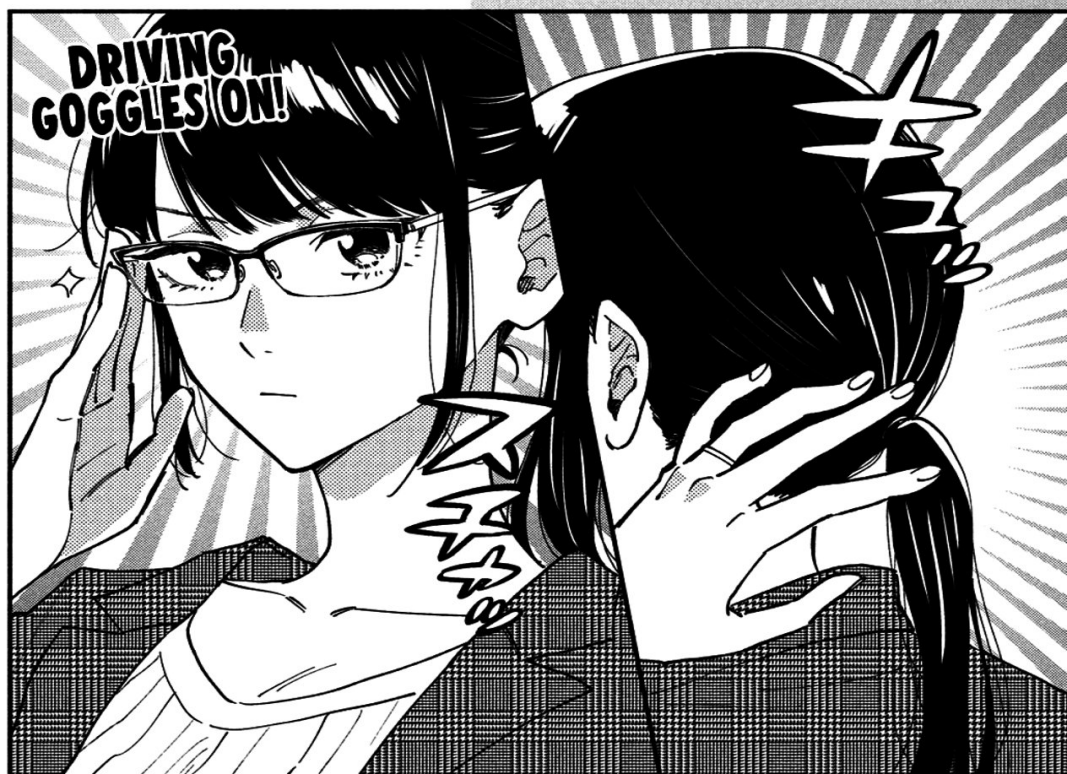
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to grill
love

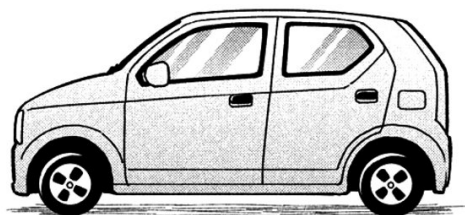
A RARE MARRIAGE

our

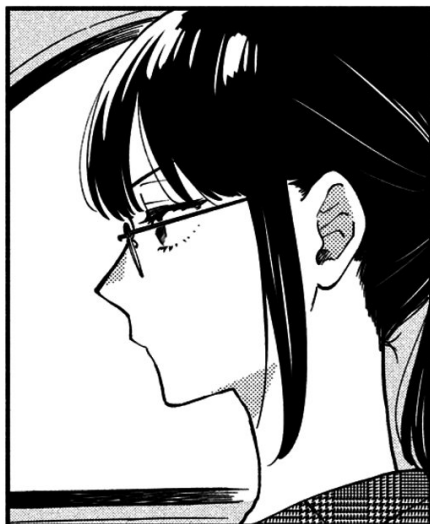








"oo..."





AND I
CAN TELL MY
COLLEAGUES,
"THAT'S MY
WIFE!" AND
SHOW YOU
OFF...

YOU CAN
COME PICK
ME UP FROM
DRINKS AFTER
WORK...



I'M
NOT SURE
WHAT KINDS
THERE ARE. WE
SHOULD TAKE
SOME TEST
DRIVES.

WHAT
KIND OF CAR
WOULD YOU
LIKE?



NOW
THAT YOU
HAVE YOUR
LICENSE...

OH...

THAT'S
RIGHT!



SHE
GOT A LI-
CENSE SO
SHE COULD
PICK UP
MIFUNE-
SAN.

OH,
REALLY?



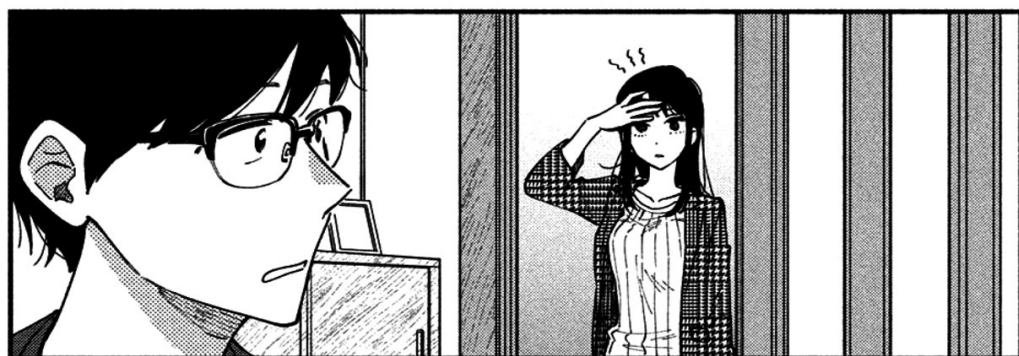
RINA-
CHAN SAID
THE SAME
THING.



YOU
CAN GET TO
THE PARKING
LOT FROM
HERE.

BUSINESS HOURS:
9AM-10PM













SUGAR,
SALT...

AND
SOME
DRIED
YEAST.

IN A
HEAT-RESISTANT
BOWL, ADD HARD
FLOUR, SOFT
FLOUR...



KNEAD
THE DOUGH
UNTIL IT
COMES TO-
GETHER.




POUR
SOME
LUKE-
WARM
WATER
OVER
IT...

AND
FINALLY,
ADD SOME
OLIVE OIL.



IT'S
GETTING
BIGGER...
SO CUTE...

AFTER THAT,
LET IT SIT FOR
10 MINUTES.



COVER THE
BOWL WITH
CLING WRAP AND
MICROWAVE IT
AT 500W FOR
20 SECONDS.

NEXT,
WE'LL MAKE
THE DOUGH
RISE!

IF YOU HAVE A
BREAD PROOFING
SETTING ON YOUR
COMBI OVEN, YOU
CAN USE THAT.



SPREAD
THE DOUGH
WITH YOUR
HANDS AND
FLATTEN IT
OUT.



SO ROUND...
SO CUTE...

ALRIGHT,
IT'S RISEN
NOW!

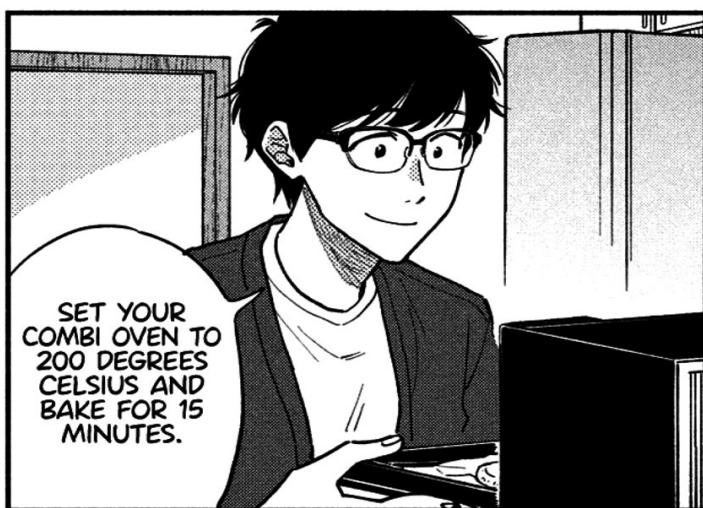


CHEESE AND
SALAMI.

TOP
IT WITH
TOMATO
PUREE...



I'LL MAKE
SURE CHIHIRO-SAN
GETS UP IN THE
MEANTIME.



SET YOUR
COMBI OVEN TO
200 DEGREES
CELSIUS AND
BAKE FOR 15
MINUTES.



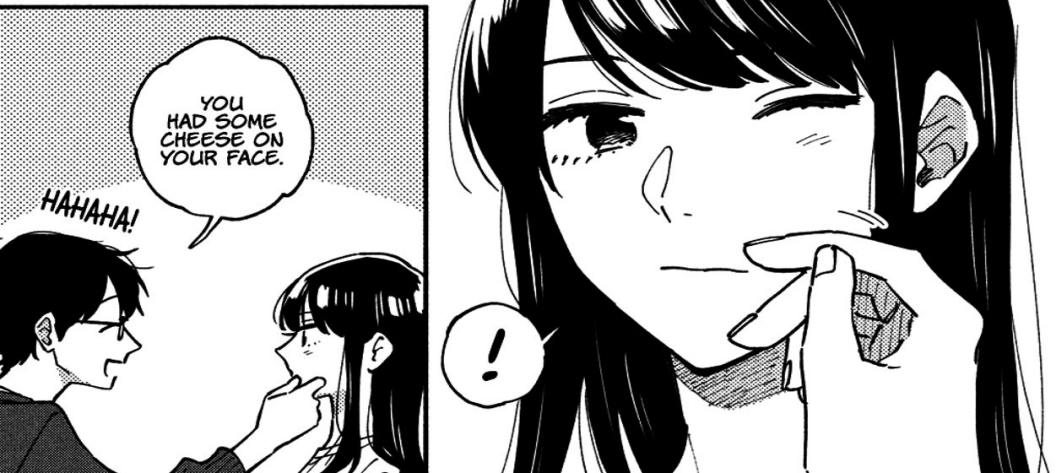
**HERE
WE ARE!
A SIMPLE
SALAMI
PIZZA!**

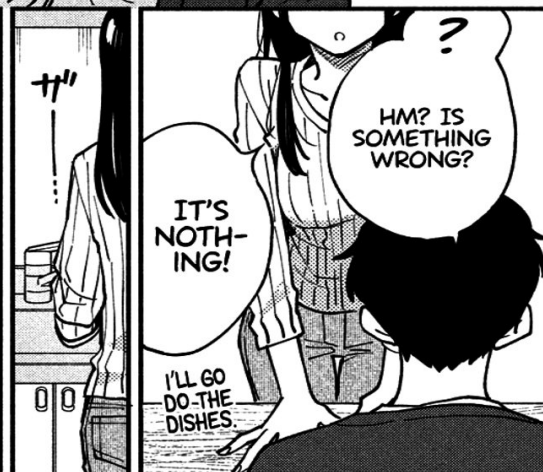


**JUST
WHAT I
NEEDED!**

**TH-
THIS
IS...**

**AAA-
AHHH...!**





A RARE MARRIAGE
how to grill love

Next time: So, Fushimi-san, do you like Toda or not?




A RARE MARRIAGE

how to grill our love



THIS
WORKATION
WAS A GREAT
IDEA.

Chapter 48

Girl Talk at a
Tuber Stew
Party!?





SHE SAID IT'S A WORK-ATION.

FOR SIGHT-SEEING?

SHE BOOKED A HOTEL NEAR LAKE HAMANA.

A FEW DAYS EARLIER...



FUSHIMI-SAN TOLD ME SHE'S VISITING HAMAMATSU SOON.



SHE SAID SHE'D LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US, KENTA-SAN.



BUT SHE'S ALSO COMING TO SEE YOU, RIGHT?

ARE YOU GUYS GOING OUT FOR DINNER?



SURE, NO PROBLEM...

?



REALLY! SHE EVEN SAID WE SHOULD GRILL SOMETHING.

REALLY?

GASP!





PEEL THE
TARO AND
CUT IT INTO
BITE-SIZED
PIECES.


GIVE THEM
A QUICK RINSE
TO WASH OFF
THE SLIME.

COME
ON IN!

I'M
HERE!



CUT THE
LEEK INTO
DIAGONAL
SLICES.




BREAK UP THE
KONNYAKU INTO
BITE-SIZED PIECES
AS WELL AND
PARBOIL IT.



AFTER A WHILE, WHEN THE TARO HAS SOFTENED...

WE'RE GOING TO ADD THINLY SLICED BEEF AND THE LEEK FROM BEFORE.

REMOVE THE SCUM AND BOIL UNTIL COOKED THROUGH.



TO A POT, ADD WATER, SOY SAUCE, SUGAR, SAKE...

AS WELL AS THE TARO AND THE KONN-YAKU.



MISO SOUNDS GOOD, TOO!

BY THE WAY, I ALWAYS USE SOY SAUCE AS A BASE, BUT SOME PEOPLE PREFER MISO.



I THINK IT'S DONE.



◇ **ULTIMATE FANTASY!** ◇



WE'RE USING A CLAY POT AND A PORTABLE STOVE TODAY, BUT...

I REALLY WANNA TRY MAKING THIS IN A DUTCH OVEN OVER AN OPEN FIRE...



**HERE
WE ARE!**

**THE CLAS-
SIC NORTH-
ERN STEW,
IMONI!**



**LET'S
DIG IN!**







AH...
THANKS,
CHIHIRO.



TODA-KUN,
HUH...



HERE
YOU GO.



I'LL TRY
SOME AF-
TER I DRIVE
FUSHIMI-SAN
BACK.



I CAN'T
WAIT!



THIS
SAKE IS
AMAZING.

UHM...



HE LIVES
IN YOUR
NEIGHBOR-
HOOD, RIGHT,
FUSHIMI-
SAN?

RIGHT,
TODA!



ACTUALLY,
ABOUT TODA-
KUN...



HM? NO,
JUST THAT
HE RUNS INTO
YOU OFTEN,
FUSHIMI-
SAN.

ANY-
THING
ABOUT
ME...?

WHAT
ELSE DID
HE SAY...?

TODA
WAS TELLING
ME ABOUT IT
THE OTHER
DAY.

Y-YEAH...
HIS PLACE IS
STILL PRETTY
FAR FROM
MINE,
THOUGH.

YOU'RE
RIGHT. YOU'D
THINK THEY
DON'T HAVE
MUCH IN
COMMON.

BY
THE WAY,
KENTA-
KUN...

HOW DID
YOU BECOME
FRIENDS WITH
A GUY LIKE
HIM?

IS
THAT
SO...

HUH!? WHAT
DO YOU MEAN
YOU CAN'T
MAKE IT!?

CORDON
BLEU IS SO
GOOD!

THIS
HAPPENED
BACK WHEN
WE WERE FRESH
HIRES AT OUR
COMPANY..



FOR THEIR
SIX-MONTH
ANNIVER-
SARY...

HE
BOOKED A
HOTEL WITH
A GOOD
VIEW...

AND
WROTE SOME-
THING CORNY
ON THE BED
WITH ROSE
PETALS.

LOVE

HE
TOLD ME THAT
HE DATED THE
GIRL HE MET AT
THE MIXER FOR
ABOUT HALF
A YEAR.

I JUST
WENT THAT
ONE TIME
TODA ASKED
ME!

OH!
NO...

SO
YOU WENT
TO MIXERS,
KENTA-
SAN...

HMM...

AND IT
WAS A LONG
TIME AGO!

AHAHAHA!

SHE TOLD
HIM IT WAS
"TOO MUCH
FOR JUST SIX
MONTHS" AND
BROKE UP
WITH HIM.

SINCE
HE MET HIS
GIRLFRIEND AT
A MIXER...

TODA
MUST'VE
GONE TO
A LOT OF
THEM,
RIGHT?

OH, I
WASN'T
ACCUSING
YOU OF ANY-
THING.

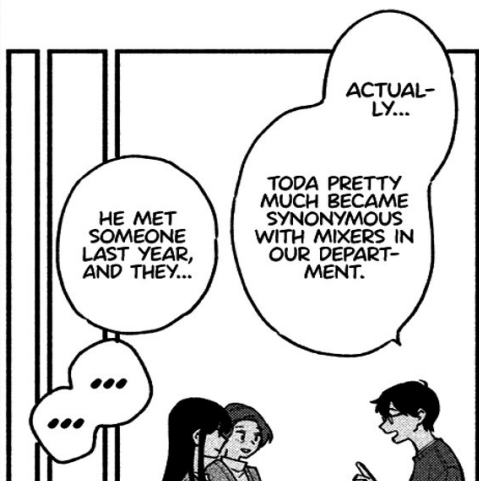
I COULDN'T
GET ANYONE'S
NUMBER, ANY-
WAY...



HA!

THAT'S
HILARI-
OUS!

HE ACTS
SO SLICK ALL
THE TIME. I NE-
VER WOULD'VE
GUESSED...



ACTUAL-
LY...

TODA PRETTY
MUCH BECAME
SYNONYMOUS
WITH MIXERS IN
OUR DEPART-
MENT.

HE MET
SOMEONE
LAST YEAR,
AND THEY...



CAN YOU
TELL...?



COULD
YOU GIVE
ME A HAND,
KENTA-
SAN?

WE'RE
OUT OF
SNACKS,
RIGHT?

I'LL
GO GET
SOME.

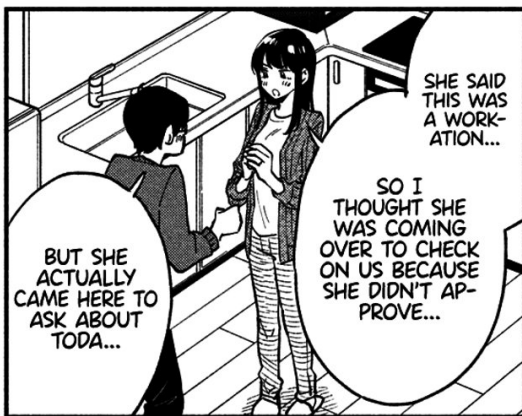


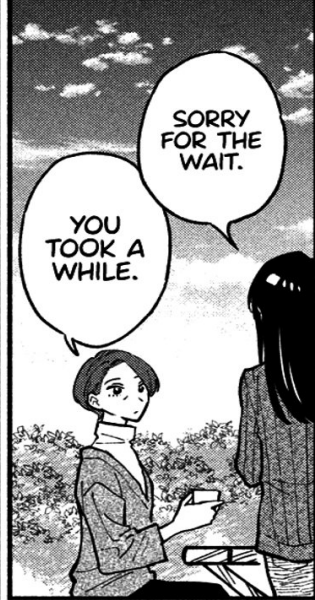
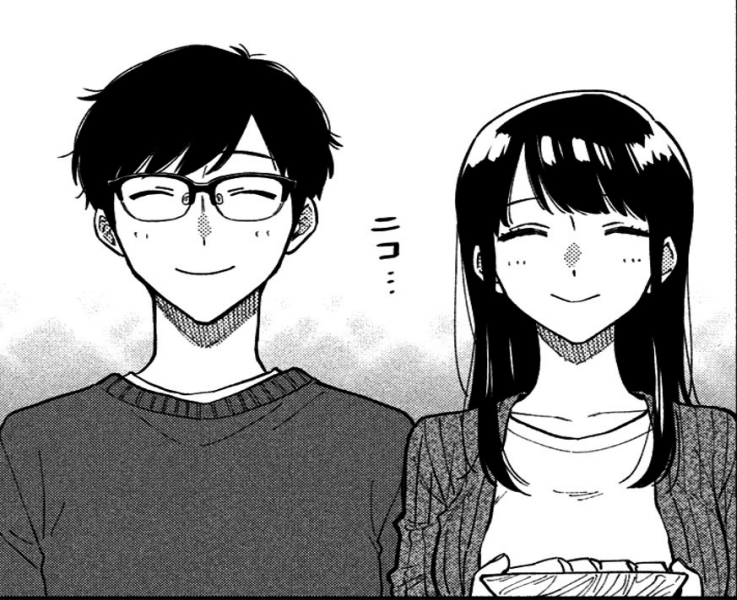
YOU
THOUGHT
SO, TOO!?

FUSHIMI-
SAN...

SURE SEEMS
INTERESTED
IN TODA-SAN,
DON'T YOU
THINK...?

THOSE STORIES
ABOUT TODA WEREN'T
EVEN THAT FUNNY, BUT
SHE COULDN'T STOP
LAUGHING!

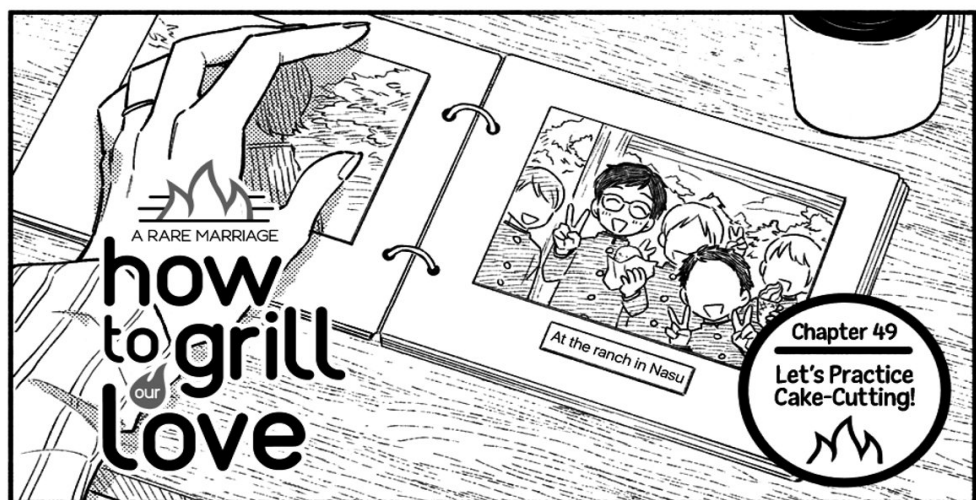






A BARE MARRIAGE
how to grill Love

Next time: This fake wedding is escalating into...!?



ON THE OTHER HAND, COMING BACK THE SAME DAY WOULD BE BRUTAL!

YEAH, I GUESS.

BUT THERE'S NOT MUCH TO DO THERE ANYWAY, SO WE'LL GET BACK HOME EARLY.

A WEDDING RECEPTION IN NASU...

ARE WE STAYING WITH YOUR PARENTS?

A GRAND MULTI-COURSE BANQUET? ISN'T THAT THE BEST?

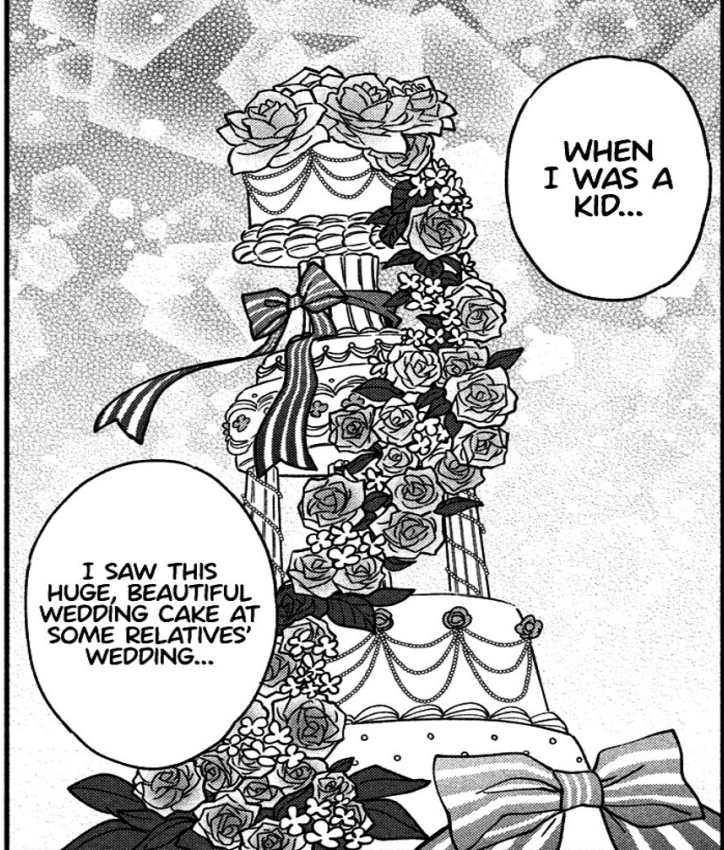
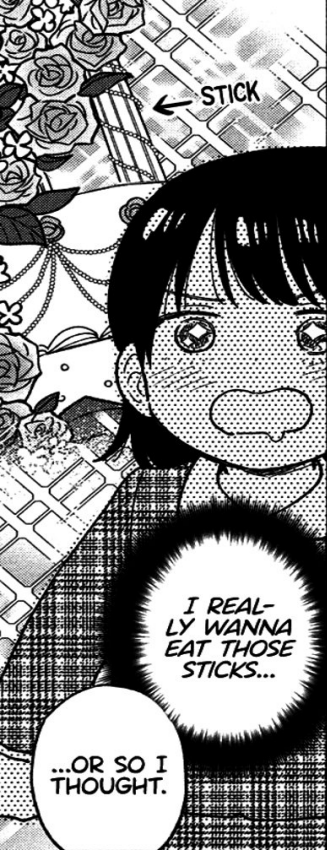
WHAT WE ALSO...

MAYBE IT'S ABOUT TIME...

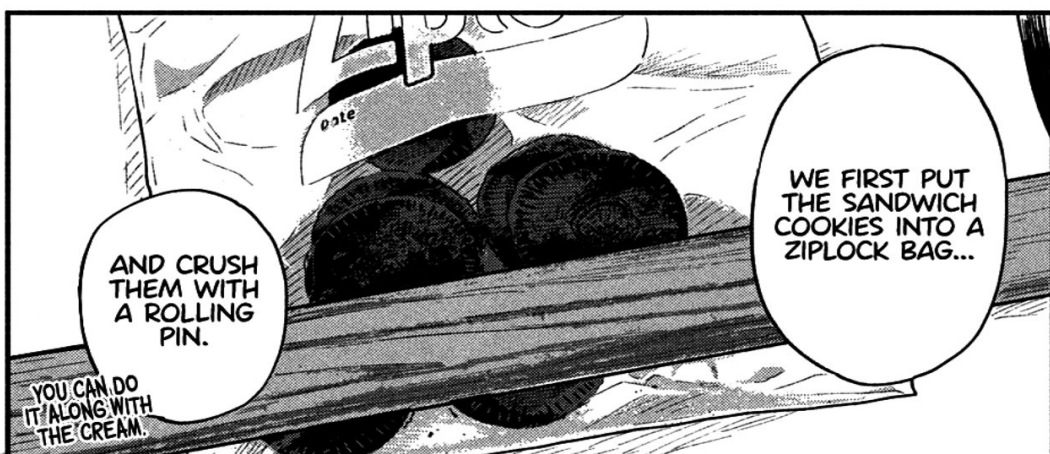
A WEDDING... SOUNDS REALLY NICE...

AND OF COURSE, THE CAKE...

WE'RE THE SIDE THAT GETS TO EAT, HUH...










SPREAD IT
OUT ON A
SKILLET...

AND PRESS
FIRMLY.



WARM SOME
CREAM IN THE
MICROWAVE FOR
ABOUT 30 SEC-
ONDS...

ADD IT AND
KNEAD UNTIL
IT ALL GOES
SOFT.

ADD
SUGAR AND
MIX WITH
A WHISK.



ADD
BEATEN EGGS
IN SEVERAL
PORTIONS...

WHILE
MIXING
EACH
TIME.



AND
LEMON
JUICE...
AND MIX
AGAIN.

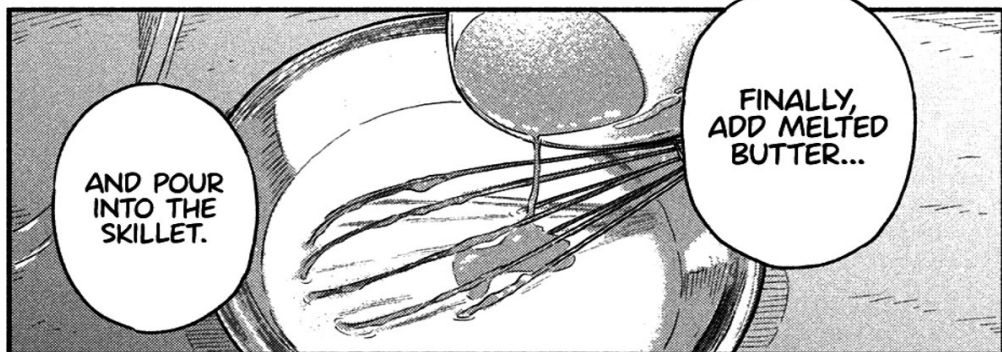


...FRESH
CREAM...



ADD
SIFTED CAKE
FLOUR...

THEN, IN
ORDER...



AND POUR
INTO THE
SKILLET.

FINALLY,
ADD MELTED
BUTTER...



BAKE IN
AN OVEN PRE-
HEATED TO 180°C
FOR UP TO 40
MINUTES...

IT'S FINE,
I CAN WAIT!

IT'S FASTER
TO JUST BUY IT...

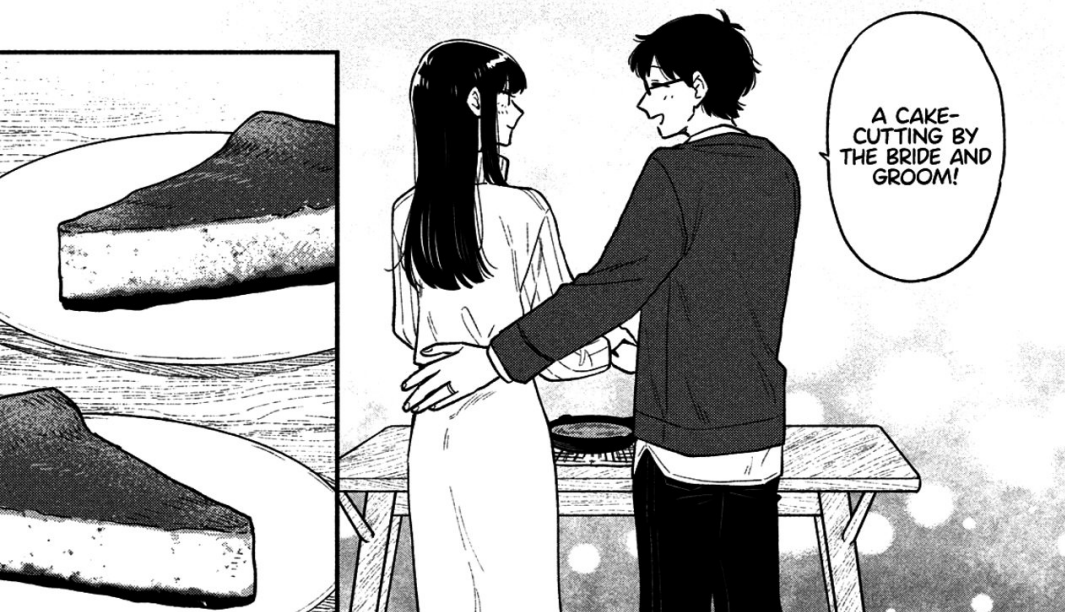


ONCE IT'S COMPLETELY
BAKED,

LET IT
COOL OFF A
BIT AND THEN
CHILL IT IN
THE FRIDGE.

**ALL
DONE!**

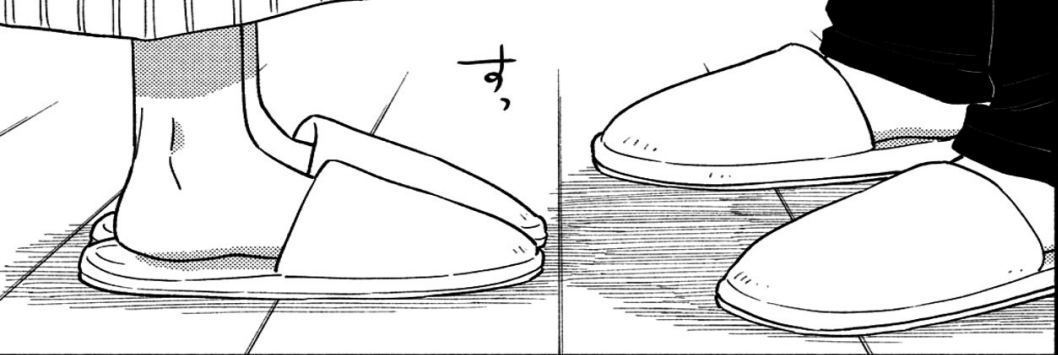
**CHEESE-
CAKE!**







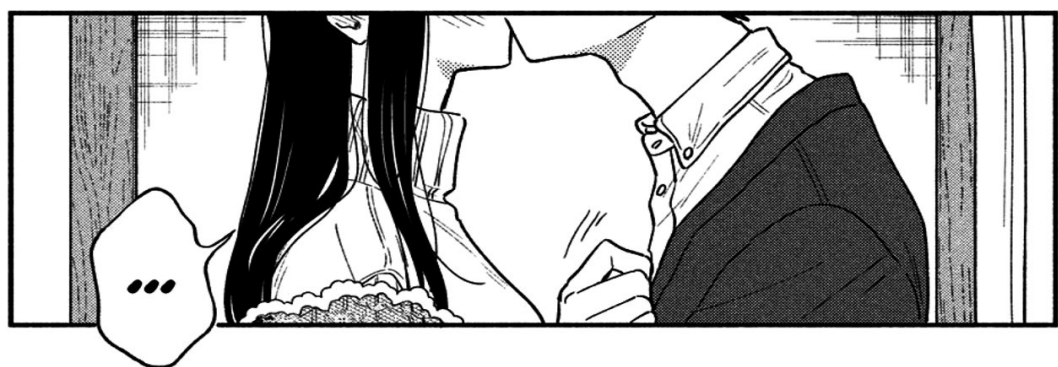
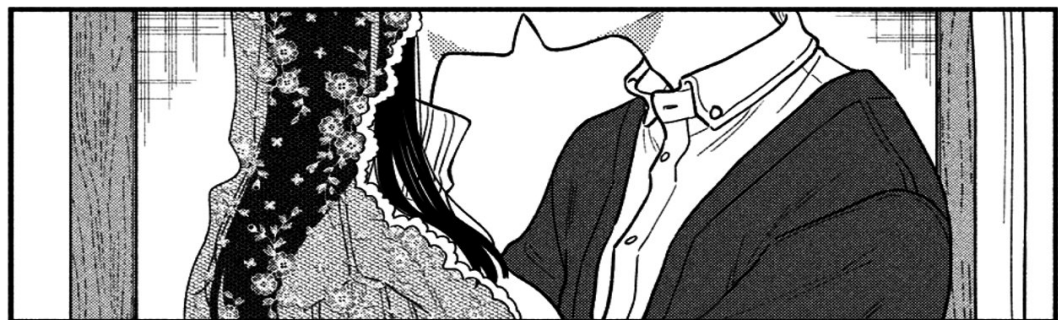


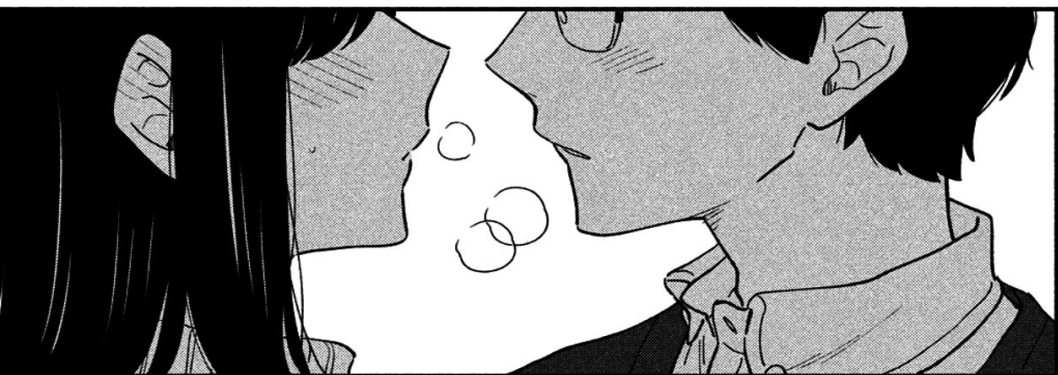


KISS THE
BRIDE.

AND
NOW, YOU
MAY...





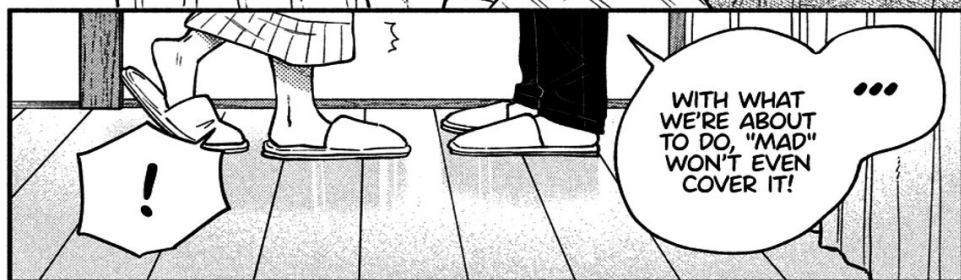




THEY'LL
GET MAD
AT US...

IF WE
KISS LIKE
THAT...


IN A
CHURCH...



...
WITH WHAT
WE'RE ABOUT
TO DO, "MAD"
WON'T EVEN
COVER IT!



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Next time: Kenta's mom is calling Chihiro over the phone...!









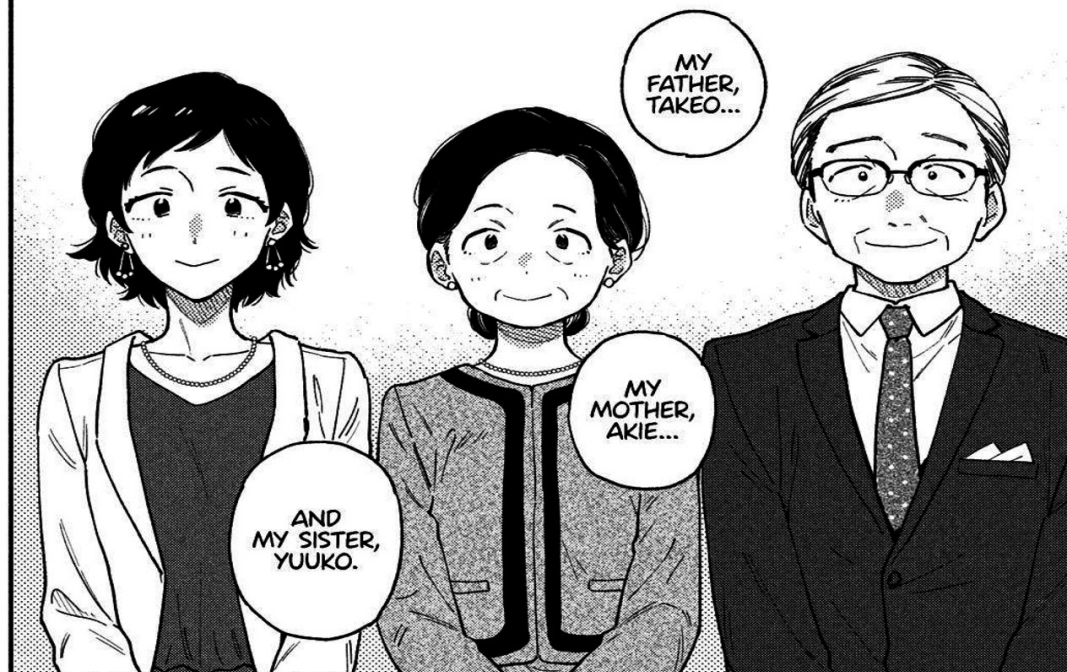
I FEEL
GUILTY...

UM...

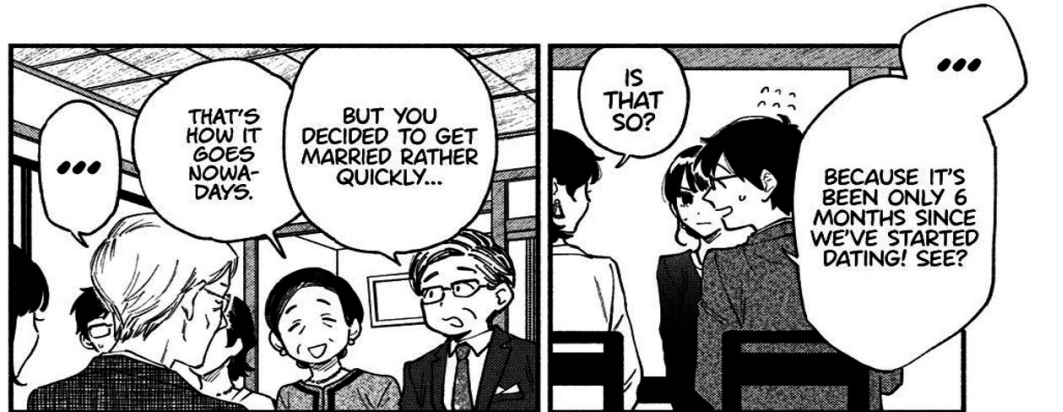
WE
HUMBLY
THANK YOU
FOR GATHER-
ING HERE
TODAY...

FOR THE
OCCASION
OF OUR
WEDDING.











WE MET
THROUGH
MUTUAL
ACQUAIN-
TANCES.

YOU'RE
IN DIFFERENT
LINES OF WORK
AND DIDN'T GO
TO SCHOOL TO-
GETHER...



OH MY! I'M
REALLY THANK-
FUL TO THESE
FRIENDS OF
YOURS...

INDEED...

MY
FRIEND AND
YAMAGUCHI-
SAN'S FRIEND
ARE COL-
LEAGUES...

RIGHT?

I SEE!







BUT WELL...



RIGHT!

**TO PUMP US
UP, WE'LL EAT
SOMETHING TO
MAKE US MORE
THAN STRONG:
WE'LL BE
STRONK!**

**WIPE OFF
THE MOIST-
TURE WITH
A PAPER
TOWEL.**

**RUB
IN SALT
AND POTATO
STARCH WELL
AND THEN
WASH WITH
WATER.**

**DEVEIN THE
SHRIMP WITH
ITS SHELL STILL
ATTACHED.**

**AND
ADD THE
SHRIMP ONCE
YOU CAN START
SMELLING THE
GARLIC.**

**ADD THINLY
SLICED GARLIC
AND OLIVE OIL
INTO A FRY-
ING PAN...**



TO FINISH
UP, ADD SALT,
BLACK PEPPER,
AND BUTTER...

AND FRY
ON HIGH
HEAT.

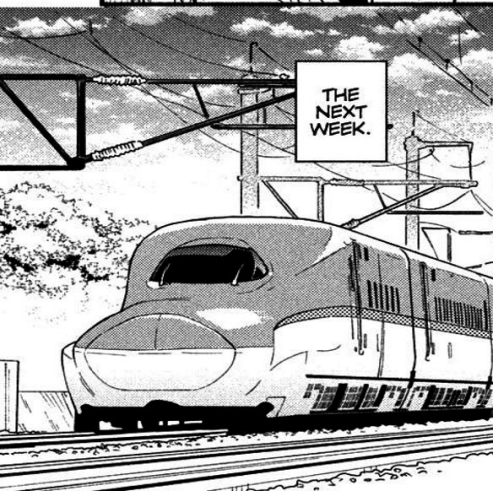


FRY
BOTH
SIDES...



**GARLIC
SHRIMP...**

READY!





WILL
YOU BE
ALRIGHT?

YEAH!

NEXT STOP:
NASUSHI-
OBARA.
NASUSHI-
OBARA.

須塩



THOUGH
I THINK
THE
GARLIC POW-
ER'S LONG
GONE...

KENTA!
CHIHRO-
CHAN!

WITH THE
COMBINATION
OF GARLIC POWER
AND AN UNAGI PIE
AS A SOUVENIR,
EVERYTHING'S
PERFECT!



WELCOME!

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**HOLY
COW...!**



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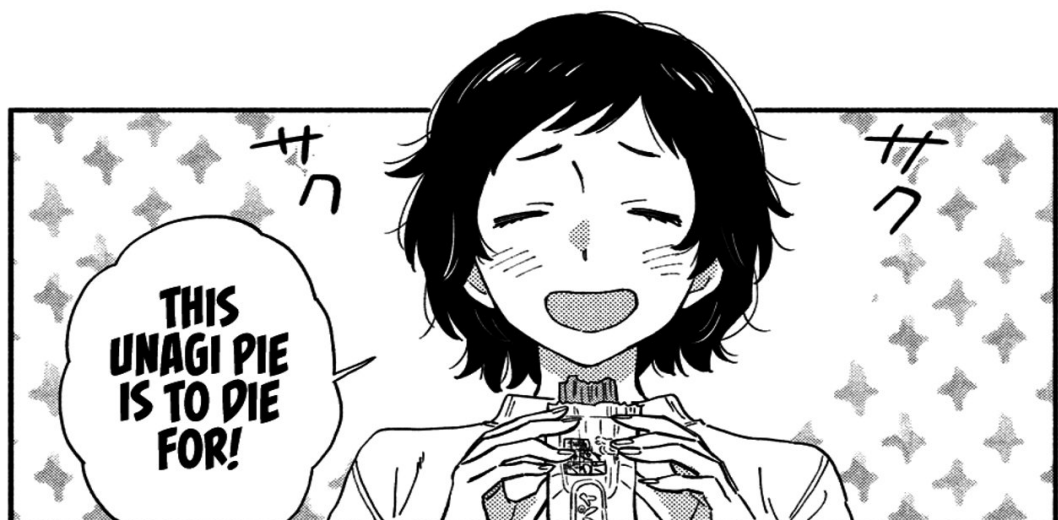
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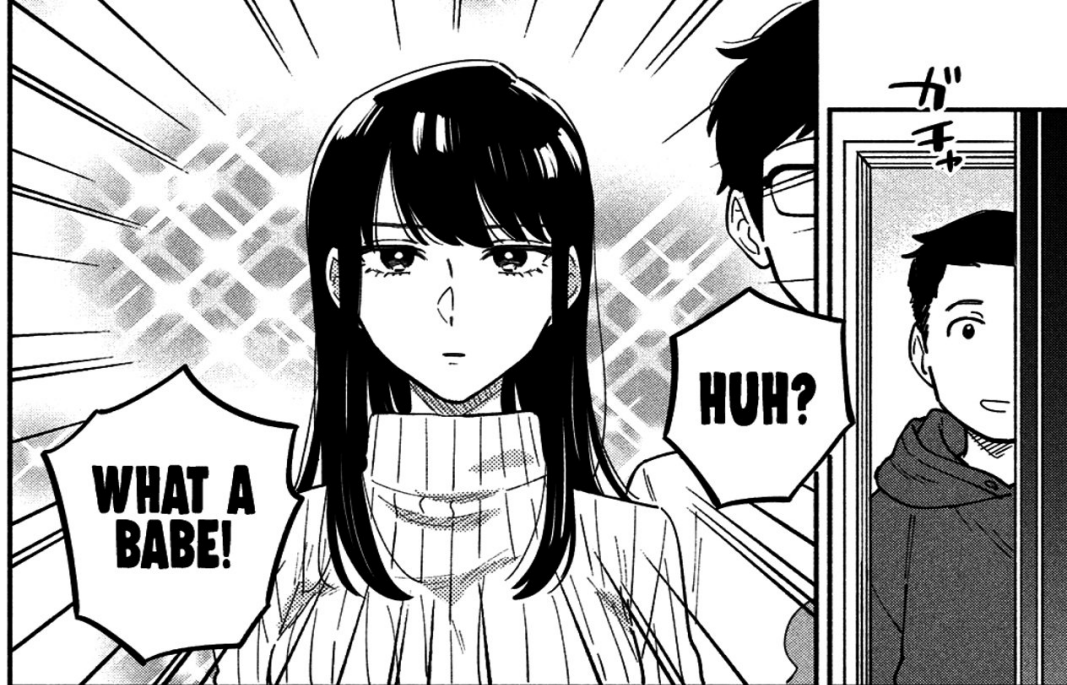
A Relaxing
Cheese Fondue!



Welcome to Nasushiobara!







WHAT A
BABE!

HUH?



NICE
TO MEET
YOU.

SHE'S MY
WIFE...

WHO IS
SHE!?



EXCUSE-US!

OH MY!
THANK
YOOU!

MOM,
THIS WAS
A GIFT.



WEL-
COME,
EVERY-
ONEEE!
IT'S
BEEN A
WHIIILE!

OH...
THANKS...

PLEASE,
TAKE IT.

WE
MADE THIS
CHEESE AT
OUR RANCH.

PLEASE
DO!

I'LL
MAKE
TEA FOR
EVERY-
ONE.

CAMEMBERT
CHEESE!

THE
CAMEMBERT
THEY MAKE
AT MASHIKO-
KUN'S PLACE
IS THE BEST!

I CAN'T
CALM DOWN
AT ALL...

I'VE
BROUGHT
TEA FOR-

EXCUSE
ME,

I'M
THE ONLY
OUTSIDER
HERE...









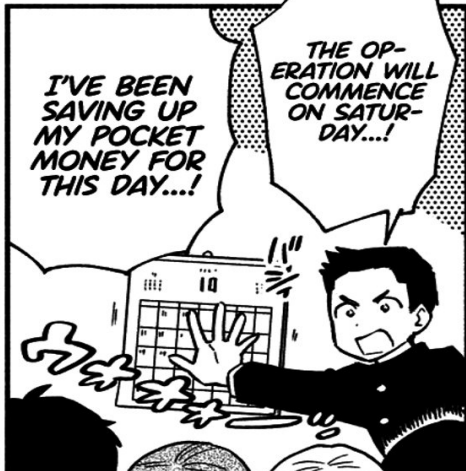
NO SCHOOL-
PRESCRIBED
SHOES!



WHAT DO WE
WEAR WHEN
WE GO BUY
SOMETHING
TO WEAR....?

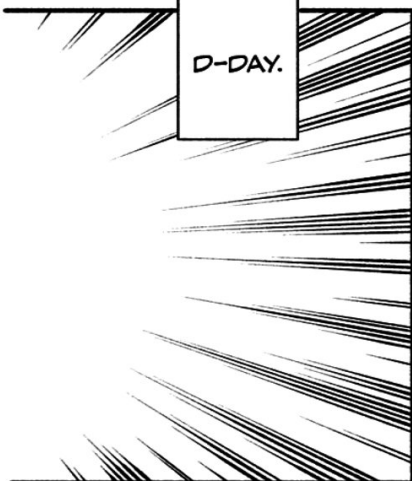
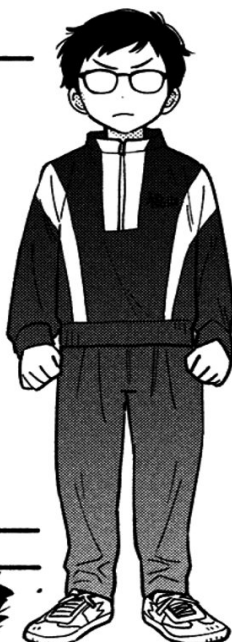
HOW
DO WE
OUTFIT
OUR-
SELVES?

**FIRST
OFF, NO
JERSEYS!**



**I'VE BEEN
SAVING UP
MY POCKET
MONEY FOR
THIS DAY...!**

**THE OP-
ERATION WILL
COMMENCE
ON SATUR-
DAY...!**



D-DAY.



YOU...!

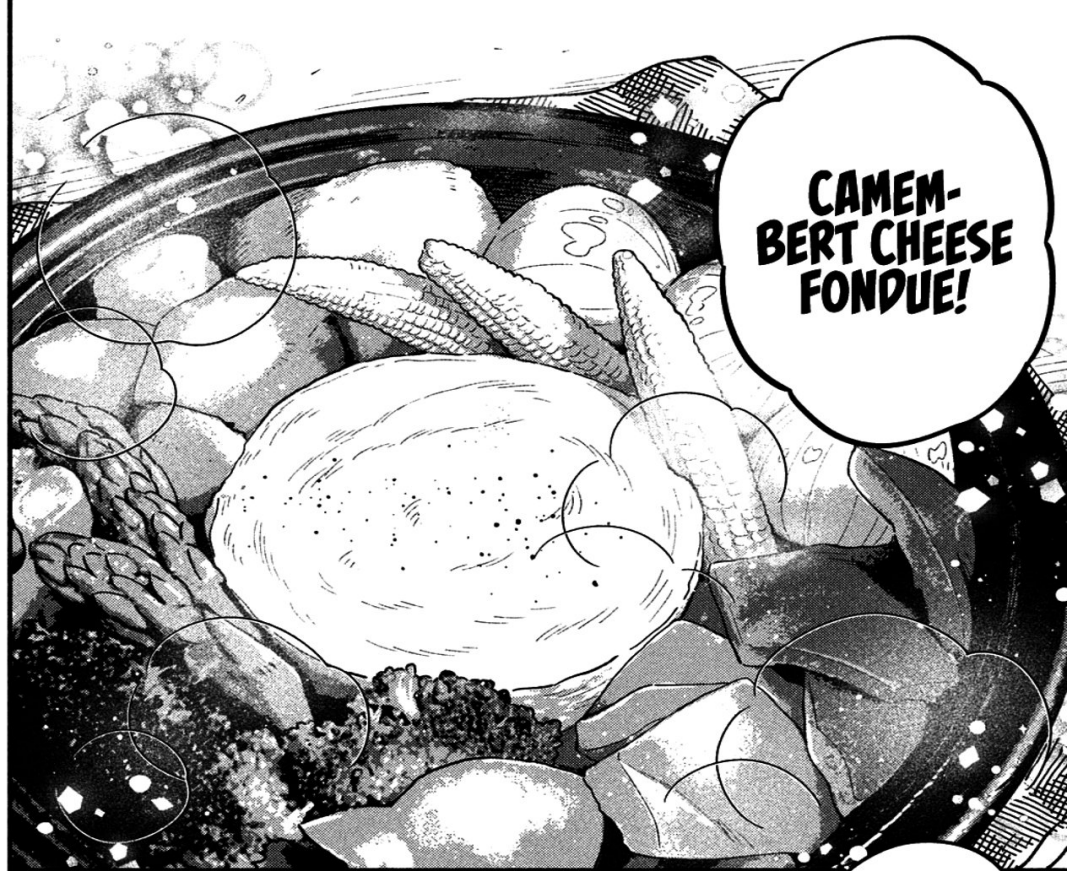
OH...!











**CAMEM-
BERT CHEESE
FONDUE!**



DOESN'T
IT?

IT LOOKS
REALLY DELI-
CIOUS...!



ONCE
THEY TURN
SOFT...

ADD
CAMEMBERT
CHEESE WITH ITS
TOP LOPPED OFF
AND HEAT THEM
TOGETHER.

STEAM
VEGETABLES IN
A TAJINE...



AMAZ-
ING...

YOU'RE
GREAT AT
COOKING
TOO.



DID YOU
MAKE THIS,
YUUKO-
SAN?

YEAH!

SIMPLE,
ISN'T IT?



INDEED!

NASU'S
VEGETABLES
ARE TASTY!
AREN'T
THEY?

HER
BEAUTY IS
INTIMIDAT-
ING...!

A black and white manga panel showing two girls. On the left, a girl with short dark hair is seen in profile, looking towards the right. On the right, a girl with long dark hair and bangs is looking back at her with a slight smile. The background is a simple grey.

OH, YEAH!
CHIIHIRO-
CHAN...

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A black and white manga panel showing two boys. On the left, a boy with glasses is partially visible, looking towards the right. On the right, a boy with short dark hair is looking back at him with a slightly annoyed or questioning expression. The background has a pattern of small triangles.

HOW
CAN YOU
DEAL WITH
IT EVERY
DAY...?

A large black and white manga panel. In the center, a girl with short dark hair is looking forward with a wide, excited smile. Her hands are clasped together in front of her chest. To her left, a smaller boy with short dark hair is looking at her with a worried or skeptical expression. The background is filled with many small, radiating lines, suggesting a bright or energetic atmosphere.

LET'S DO A
GIRLS-ONLY
TRIP!

GIRLS-
ONLY...

TOMORROW,
JUST YOU, ME,
AND YUUKO...



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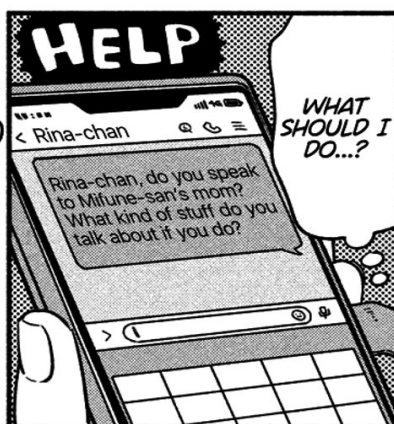
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GIRLS-
ONLY
TRIP...

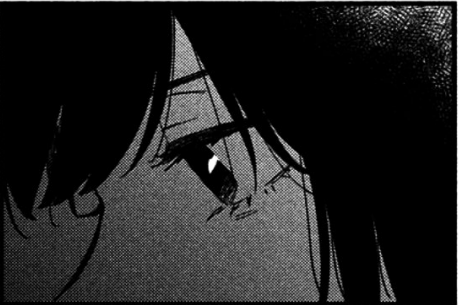




BUT IT'S
BEEN NAGGING
AT THE BACK
OF MY MIND
EVER SINCE...



BESTIES...



WOULD I BE
THIS WORRIED
IF I WEREN'T
HIDING ANY-
THING FROM
THEM...?

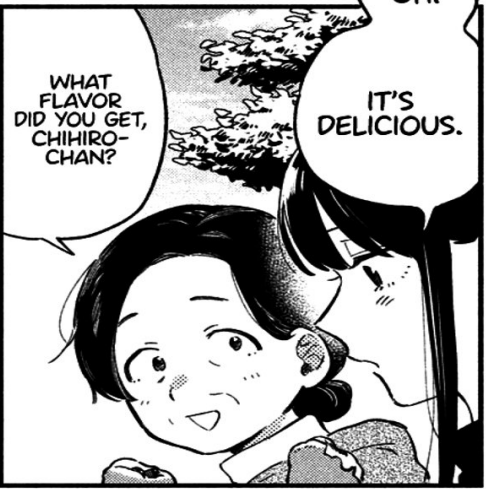


THAT I
LIED TO THE
PEOPLE WHO
WOULD BE
MY FUTURE
FAMILY...

AND
WHETHER
OUR MARRIAGE
WOULD'VE BEEN
ACCEPTED IF WE
HADN'T LIED
LIKE THAT...







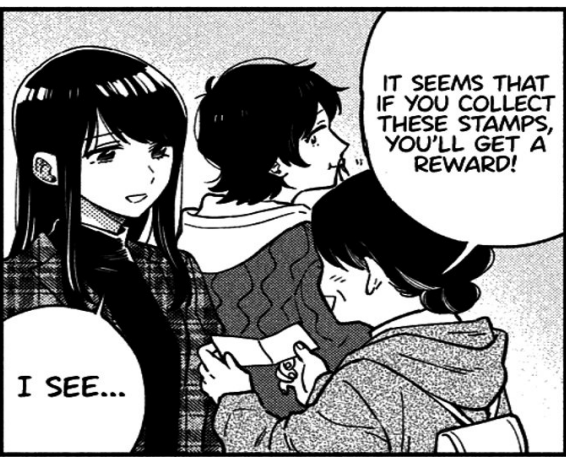
WHAT FLAVOR DID YOU GET, CHIHIRO-CHAN?

OH!
IT'S DELICIOUS.



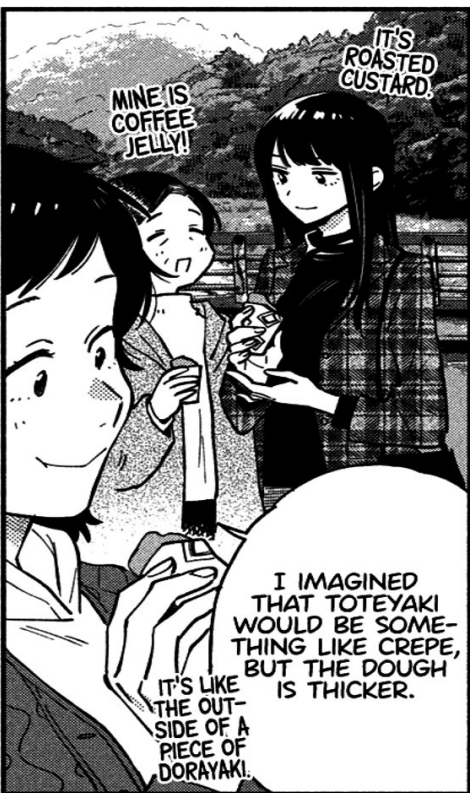
I COULDN'T GET A WINK OF SLEEP...

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IT SEEMS THAT IF YOU COLLECT THESE STAMPS, YOU'LL GET A REWARD!

I SEE...



MINE IS COFFEE JELLY!

IT'S ROASTED CUSTARD.

I IMAGINED THAT TOTEYAKI WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE CREPE, BUT THE DOUGH IS THICKER.

IT'S LIKE THE OUTSIDE OF A PIECE OF DORAYAKI.

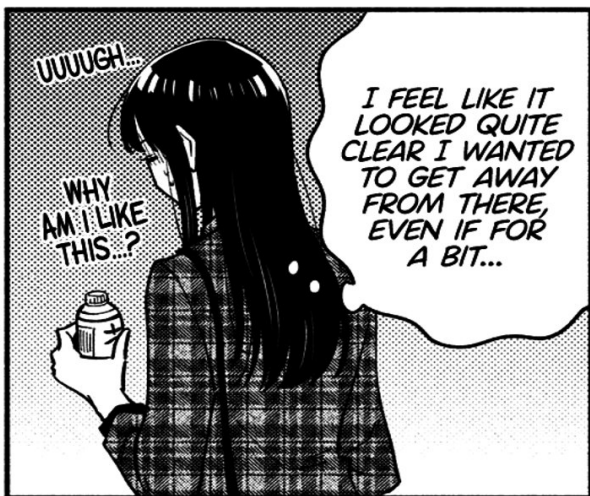


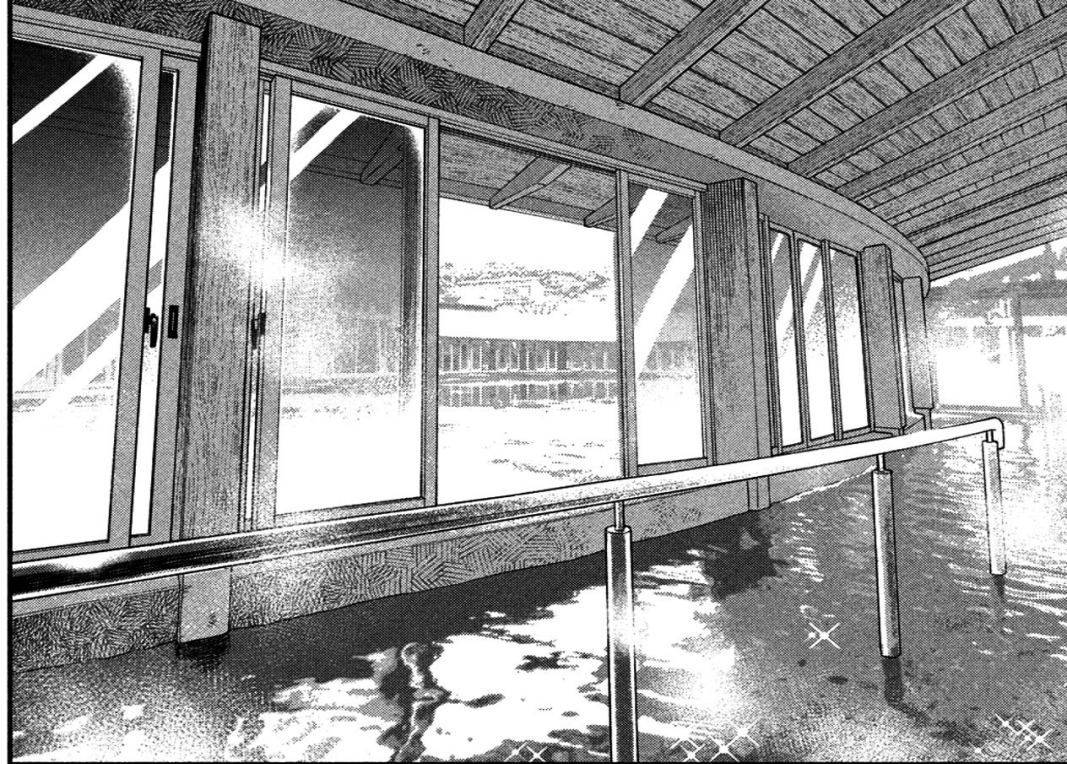
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NO, I'M GOOD.

YUUKO WANT THIS?









BUT I
KNOW THAT
THAT'S NOT
ALL.

I'M AN
INTROVERT TO
BEGIN WITH...

AND MY
COMMUNICA-
TION SKILLS
ARE PRETTY
POOR...



IT'S
PARTLY
THE FACT
THAT...

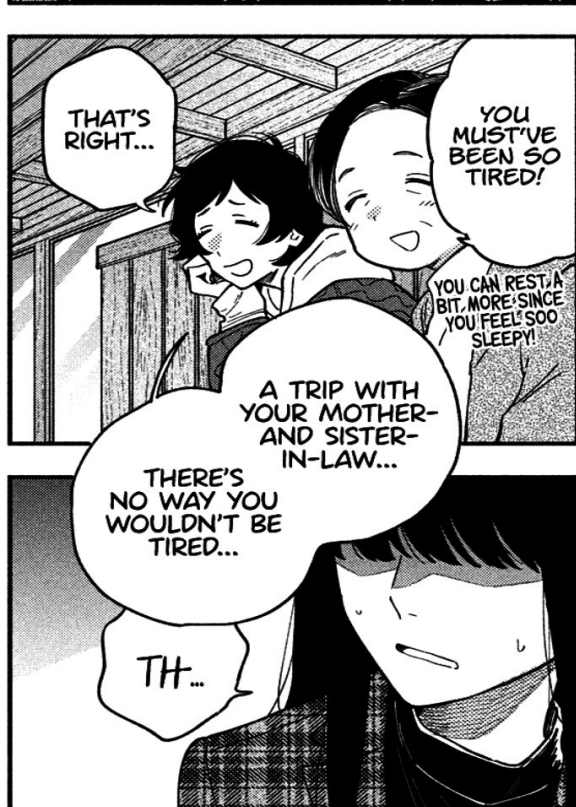
I WANT
TO GET AWAY
FROM HERE.



IT'S BEEN
LIKE THAT
EVER SINCE
I WAS A
CHILD...

I'VE ALWAYS
BEEN ROUGH
IN THE WAY I
TREAT MY RE-
LATIONSHIPS...









WE DIDN'T FIND
OUT ABOUT EACH
OTHER THROUGH
MUTUAL FRIENDS.
IT WAS THROUGH
A DATING APP.

AND
WE DIDN'T
REALLY DATE
EITHER.

WE WERE
AFRAID THAT
YOU WOULD BE
AGAINST OUR
MARRIAGE.



I...

I'VE
BEEN LYING
TO EVERY-
ONE.

